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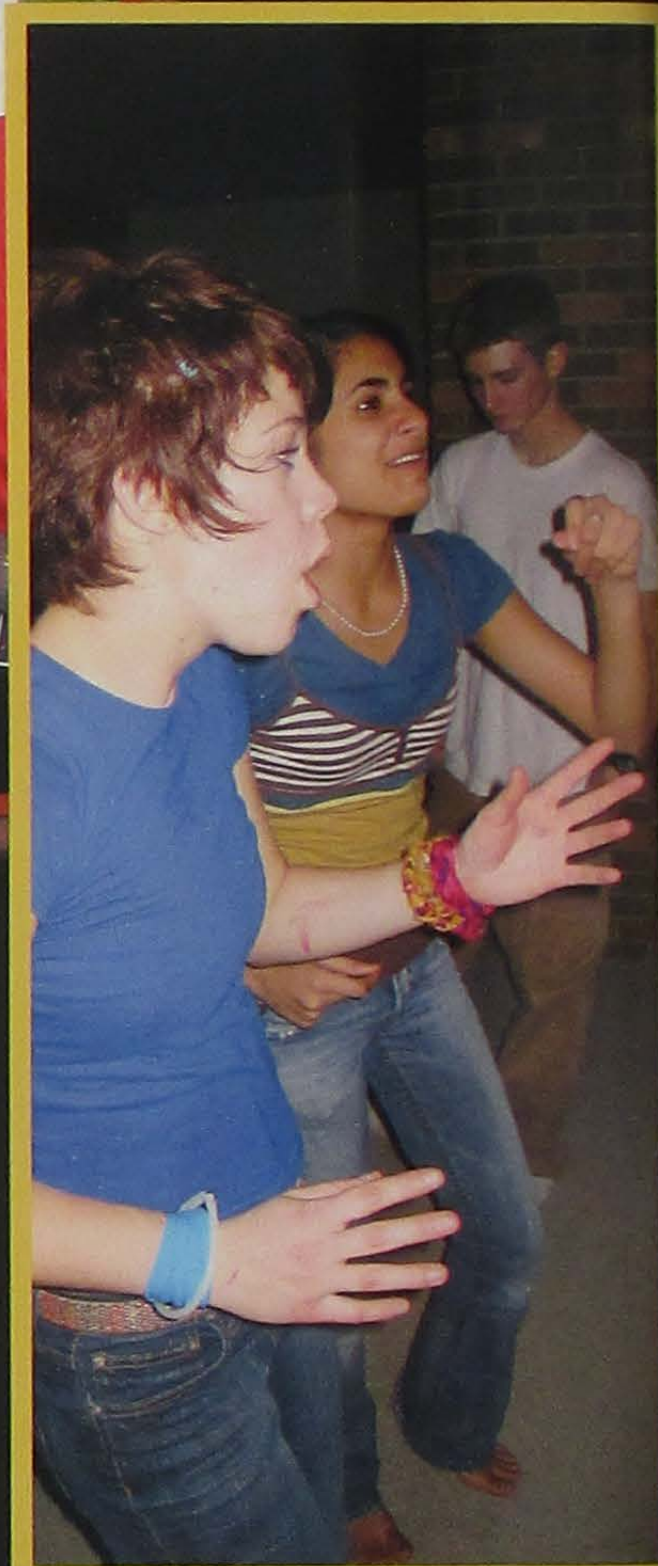
It might sound cliché, but life is an adventure and we're all just along for the ride. Through the peaks and valleys of our experiences we learn that the only thing we can control is how we choose to respond to circumstances. Through dances and playoff games, concerts and tests, we savor every moment, good and bad, because we know that we are defined by our experiences. These pages reflect just part of what we experienced this year - we hope it will help you re-live and re-learn for years to come.



It's a Jungle out there...

August

November



September

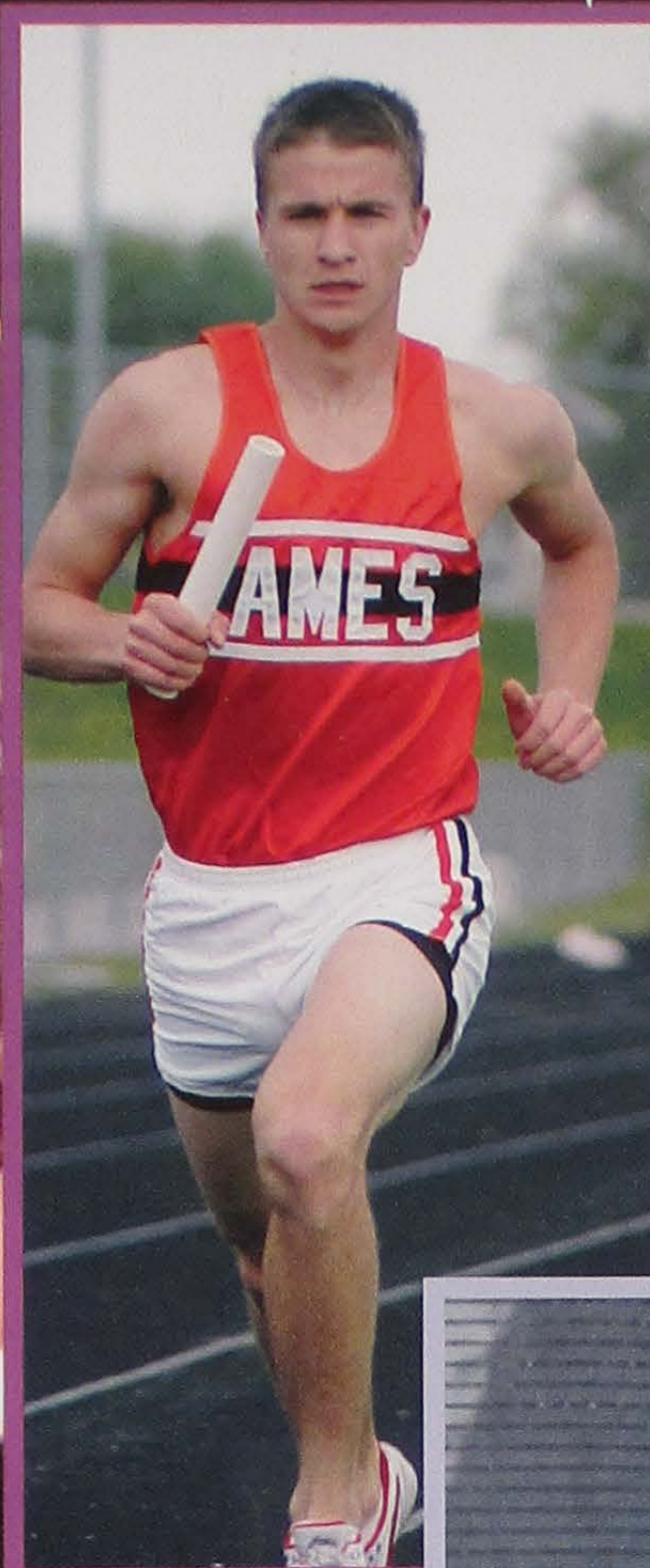
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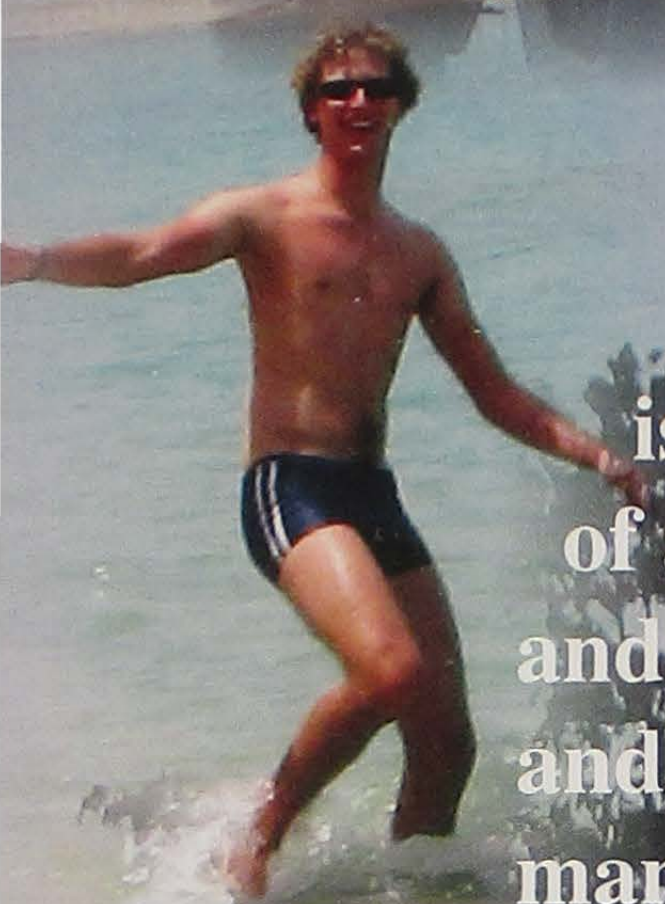
SUMMER



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A white hot sun beats down through the atmosphere, warming the landscape. A cool summer breeze comes down from the clouds, rustling the leaves on the trees. A warm blue sky envelops the earth.

For Ames High students, the summer season is a time of freedom and diversion. In the expanse of a 12 week period, we take a break from learning and studying, and enjoy a time in which we can relax and let go of our worries. In the summer months, many Ames High students embark on trips to various foreign countries. Other students are active in athletic and personal fitness.

Some, though, sit around and do absolutely nothing as they watch the clouds go by.



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DOG DAYS OF SUMMER



For most people, Dog Days refers to lounging around like a lazy hound in the sun on the porch, taking in a cool breeze and enjoying doing nothing. For this group of Ames High students and staff, however, it meant giving up three weeks of their summer to travel half way around the world to participate in grueling physical tasks. Sound like fun? These students think so. The trip is the Uganda Project, something that started almost five years ago now and has grown to the point that it needed two separate groups at two separate work areas in Africa. "The project has really grown in popularity, which is great," coordinating teacher Tim Mooney said. "The real winners are the

Africans. What we're doing over there can really make a difference." Mooney goes on to explain that the lessons it teaches the students are equally as valuable as the help they're providing. Teaching students that they are part of a larger global community, and that they can impact that community just by taking the small steps within their abilities, is something he hopes each student takes away. "It was a life-changing event for me," senior Anne Todey said. "I just hope I was able to help them as much as they helped me." The trip is taking place again next summer, when they'll be returning to the same site to complete another school building and housing units for the instructors.



Whoa, Nellie!
- Pretending to lose his balance, senior **Ross Hackerson** highlights one of the many potential perils to be found in Africa. (Photo by Anne Todey)

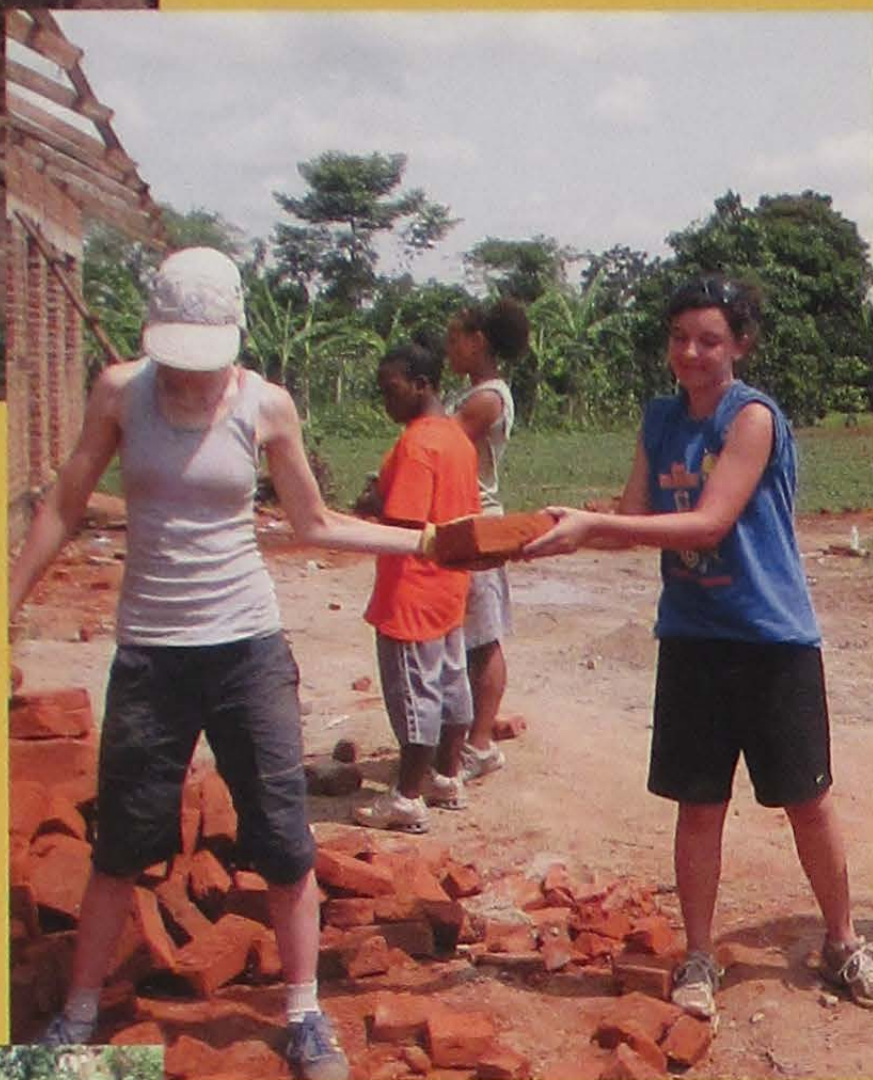
Stylin' - Looking like a couple of homeboys, seniors **Sam Bird** and **Sam Van Fleet** show off some of the local clothing. Lost luggage was another common problem on the trip. (Photo by Anne Todey)





Raise the Roof - Nearing completion, the girls' school lacks only a roof and a few other details before it is ready to be put to use. (Photo Anne Today)

Hot Potato - Performing her task cheerfully, senior **Kayla Beecraft** participates in a "brick brigade" to clean up some of the mess around the school. (Photo by Anne Today)



An African Blizzard - Taking a break from the searing equatorial heat, senior **Brady White** samples some of the local food. (Photo by Anne Today)

Compassion - Discovering the true richness of life, senior **Anne Today** gives her best to the less fortunate. (Photo courtesy of Anne Today)



Survey Question

If you could be any African animal, what would you be?

Kevin Arritt
Junior

"A rhino because people would be too intimidated by me to argue."



Chad Zmolek
Teacher

"Any of the big cats so long as it still has its Olives -- I need 'em!"



Tim Mooney
Teacher

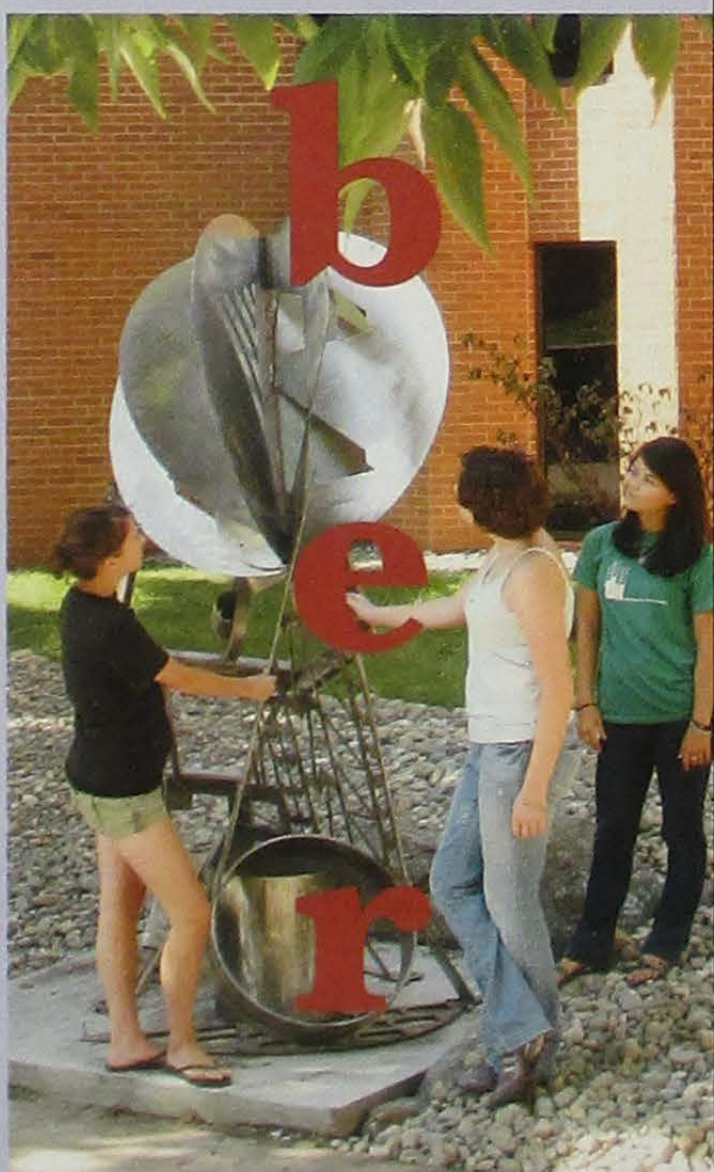
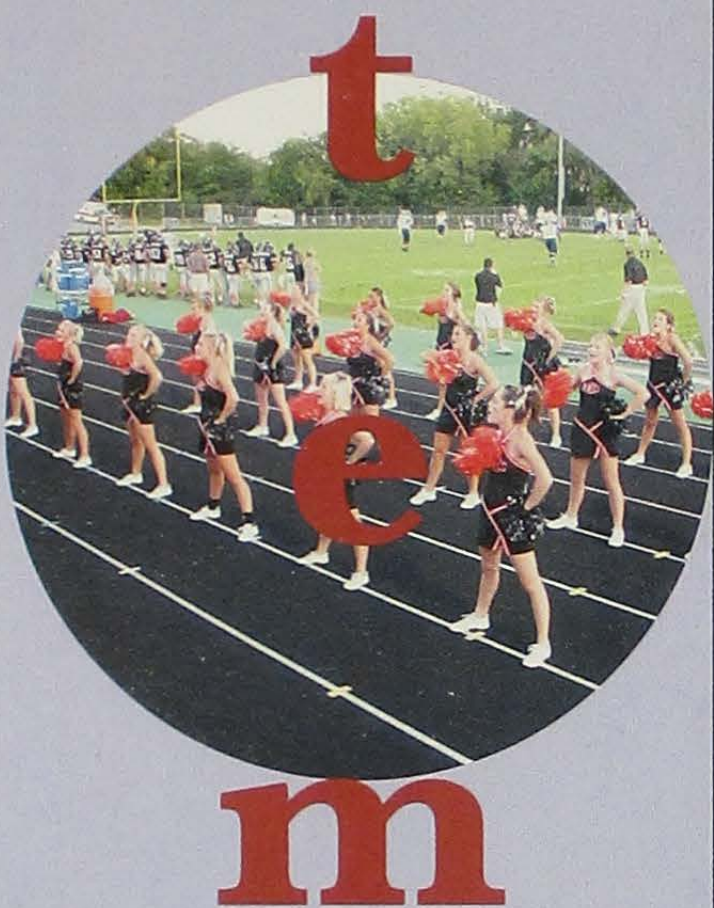
"Probably the Macaw so I could still wear tie dye everyday."



Bobby Hunter
Senior

"A gorilla because they're large enough to defend themselves but docile enough to leave others alone."





All Caged Up

By Magon Liu, Anne Today and Katrin Reinot

September, the first full month of the school year, marks the beginning of many activities. So many, in fact, that it makes the month fly by. From pep rallies to fall sports to marching band, the school offers a wide array of activities to keep students busy. The start of the football season brings all the students together to tailgate, watch the game and cheer for the team.

As marching band and the fall sports kicked off to a good start, the days of finding homecoming dates loomed

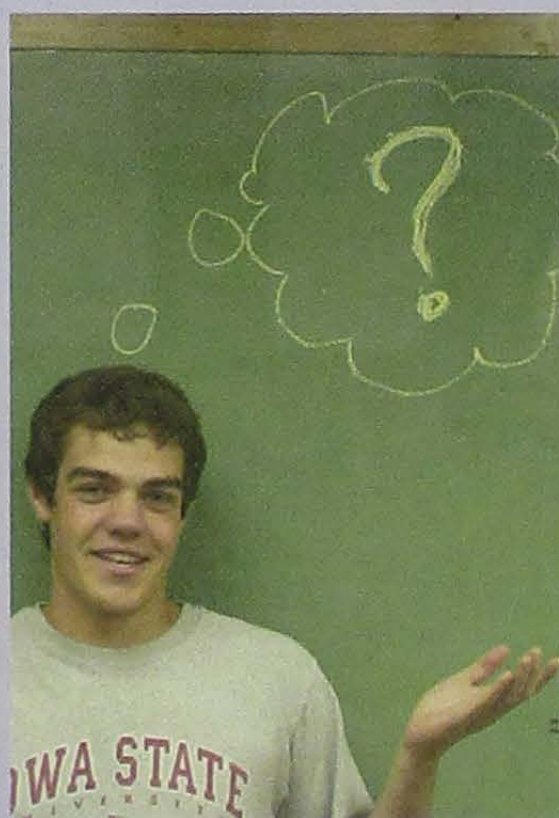
nearer. Many students began asking towards the end of the month, but there were those few earlybirds who wanted to make sure they got the date they wanted to make their homecoming experience complete.

As soon as the homecoming theme was decided, students started the preparations for the dance. Some students from the Homecoming committee got together to paint the sidewalk to make the atmosphere more festive.

Another renovation project that took place was

with the courtyard. During the summer Student Council worked on improving the courtyard by installing massive rocks and artwork for those with a more sophisticated taste. The additions made the courtyard a more pleasant place to eat lunch and hang out.

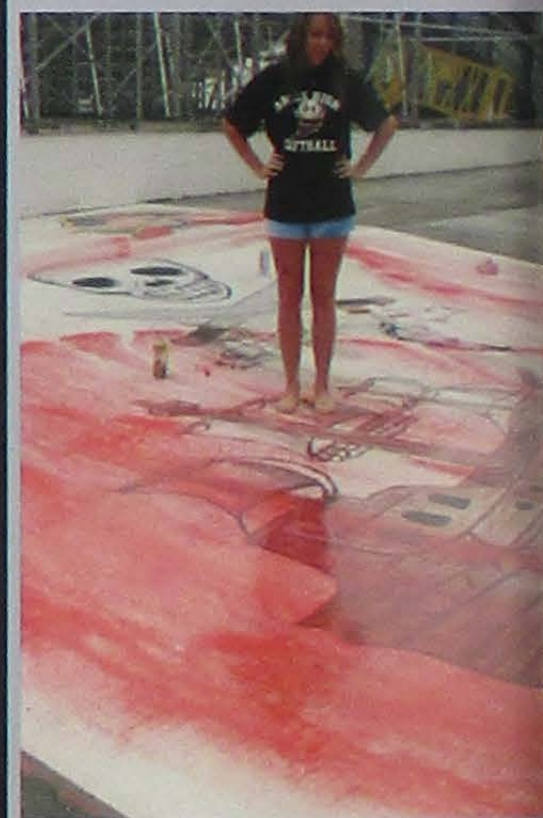
One of the highlights of the month that many students looked forward to was the release of the video game Halo 3. As the day finally came, Halo fans celebrated by putting off their homework and playing the video game.



Homecoming? - Asking that special someone, senior **Nathan Davis** asks senior **Magon Liu** to homecoming. By the end of September, most students were busy asking others as their dates. (Photo by Tony Chung)



Master Chief Ready for Action - Holding a plasma rifle, junior **Ben Mackey** is prepared to battle out aliens on the recently released "Halo 3." Some students skipped school to play the new video game while others just dressed to impress. (Photo by Anne Today)



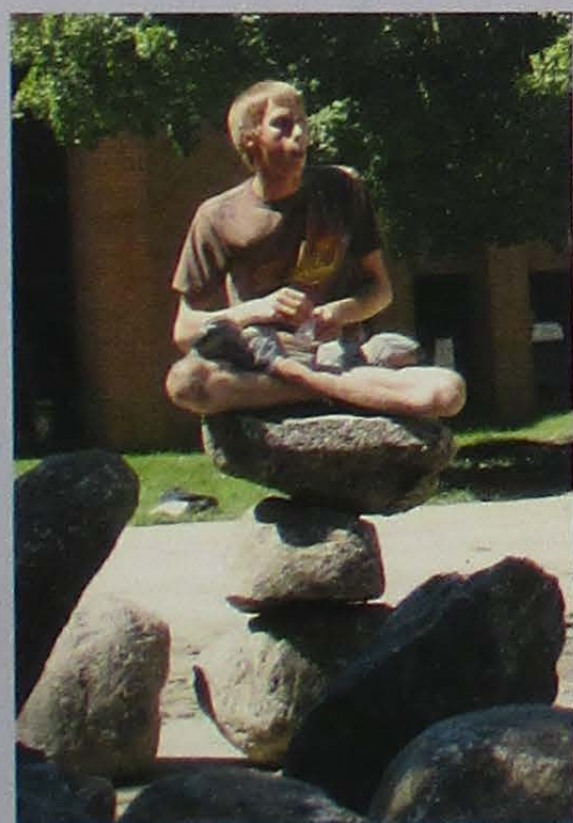
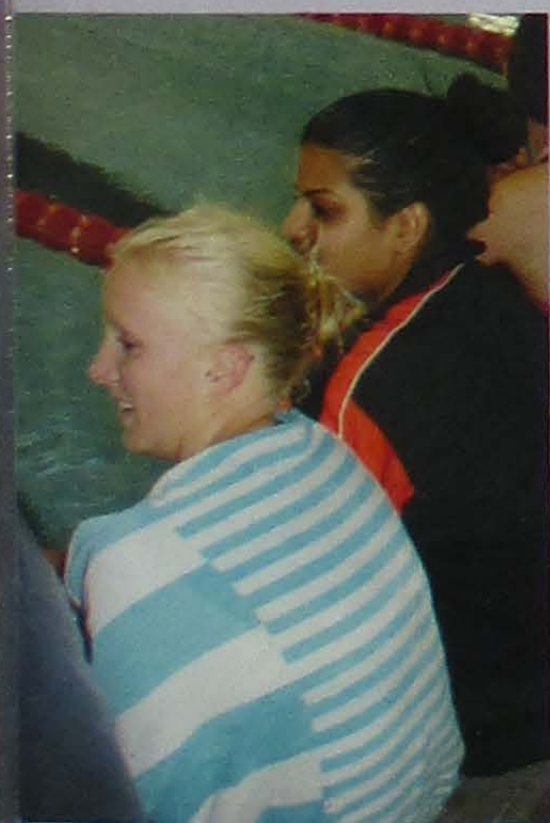
Washed Ashore - Dripping wet, senior **Paige Olsen** wonders what to do next. Painting the Homecoming sidewalk was an old tradition that captured the year's theme. This year rain showers thwarted the progress but never killed the painting spirit. (Photo by Magon Liu)



Drumming Along the Lines - Warming up for the upcoming football game, the AHS Drumline prepare for their performance at that night's home game. (Photo by Tony Chung)



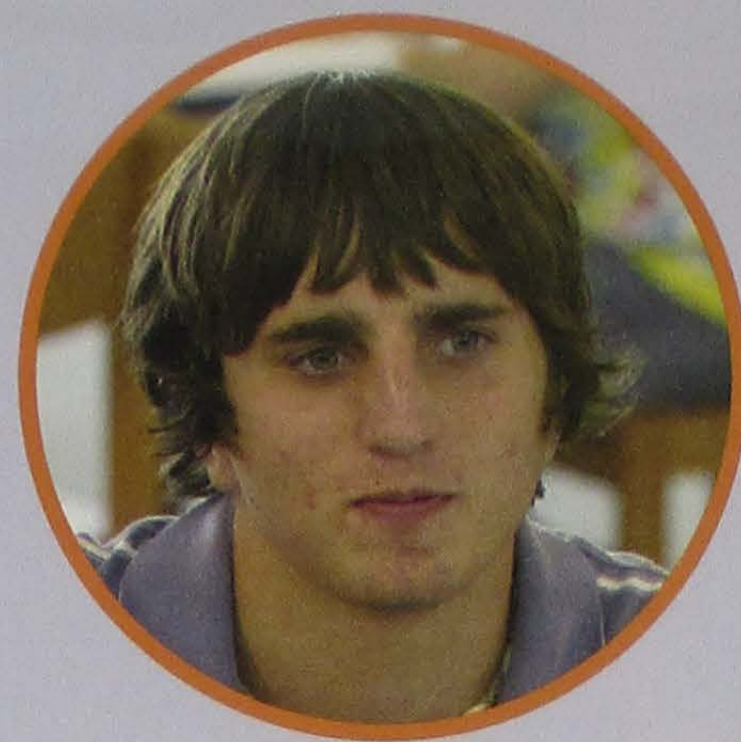
"Extra, Extra, Read All About It!" - Selling programs, juniors **Christi Ling** and **Amanda Johnson** and senior **Connie Sikinyi** work hard to raise money for this year's Drill Team trip to the Outback Bowl. (Photo by Natalie Enloe)



If you could choose, who would you like to be caged up with?

Nick Schroeder
Senior

Kevin Raab because his beastly hair would keep me entertained



Lisa Carter
Junior

Mrs. Jurgenson because she's nuts.



Paige Swift
Sophomore

Regan Davis because I know that she would keep me entertained the whole time.



Elliot Russell
Freshman

Nick Schroeder because he dances well.



OCTOBER

THE HAUNTING BEGINS

By: Alicia Rau, Leah Hansen and Leslie Weber

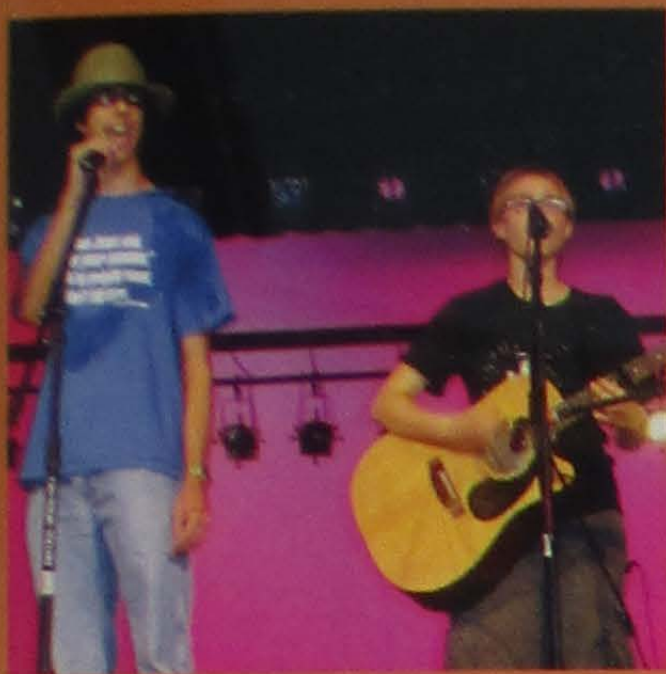
By the time October rolls around, the students of Ames High are used to their schedules. With the end of the first quarter, students are excited that they have only nine more weeks of their first semester classes. Also, many sports start to wrap up in October, including football, cross country, swimming and volleyball. "We had a good volleyball season this year even though it was disappointing when we didn't make it to state," senior Katie Marsden said. Along with all the other happenings of October, Halloween is at the end of the month and many students enjoy dressing up in wild and crazy costumes. The participants of marching band have the marching Band Spectacular in October and finish off the football season with a bang. Also in October, due to halloween and pure boredom, many students perform harmless pranks on teachers and unsuspecting victims, including the "signing" of a innocent spanish teacher Mrs. Jane Jurgensen. Another prank that was pulled was the yearly TPing of German teacher Mr. Reichart. With the colder weather on the way, soon the winter sports season will begin...

Hands up! - Playing with fire, Senior Melinda Abuhl does a chemistry experiment with water and gasoline. (Photo by Kendra Moloney)

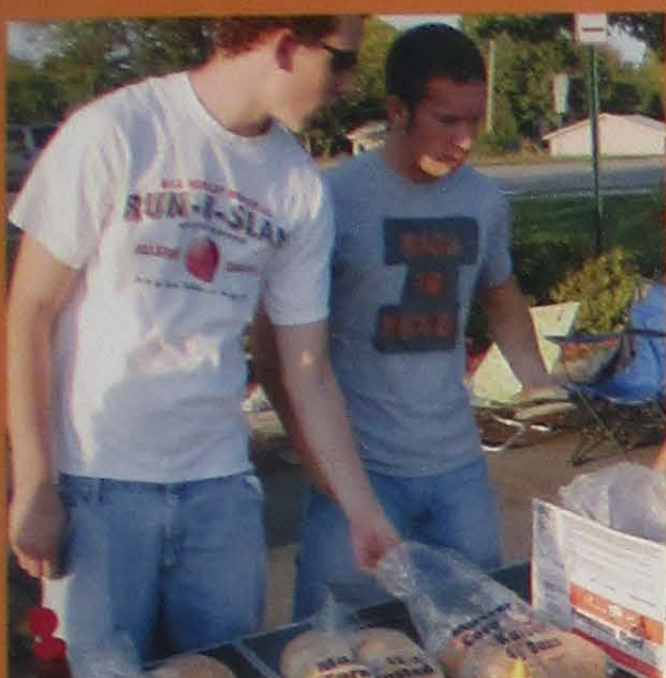
Time to Play- Showing his skills, german student Michael Ruske plays table tennis. (photo by Kendra Moloney)

Game Day- Showing their spirit, cheering fans help pump up the team at the homecoming game versus the Mohawks. (Photo by Tony Chung)





Sing, Sing, Sing!
Performing original tunes, seniors Jacob Canfield and Hannah Button-Harrison sing for Prism Schism. (Photo by Katrin Reinot)



Dinner Is Served!
Cooking with Chill Gate, senior Dan Brown and junior Jesse Pritchard grill. Chill Gate was one of the main tailgating groups that took over since the end of Team Tailgate. (Photo by Tony Chung)



Rockin' Out-
Singing to one of Bombardier's songs, senior Josh Tenney plays at battle of the bands, a common homecoming activity. (Photo by Kendra Moloney)

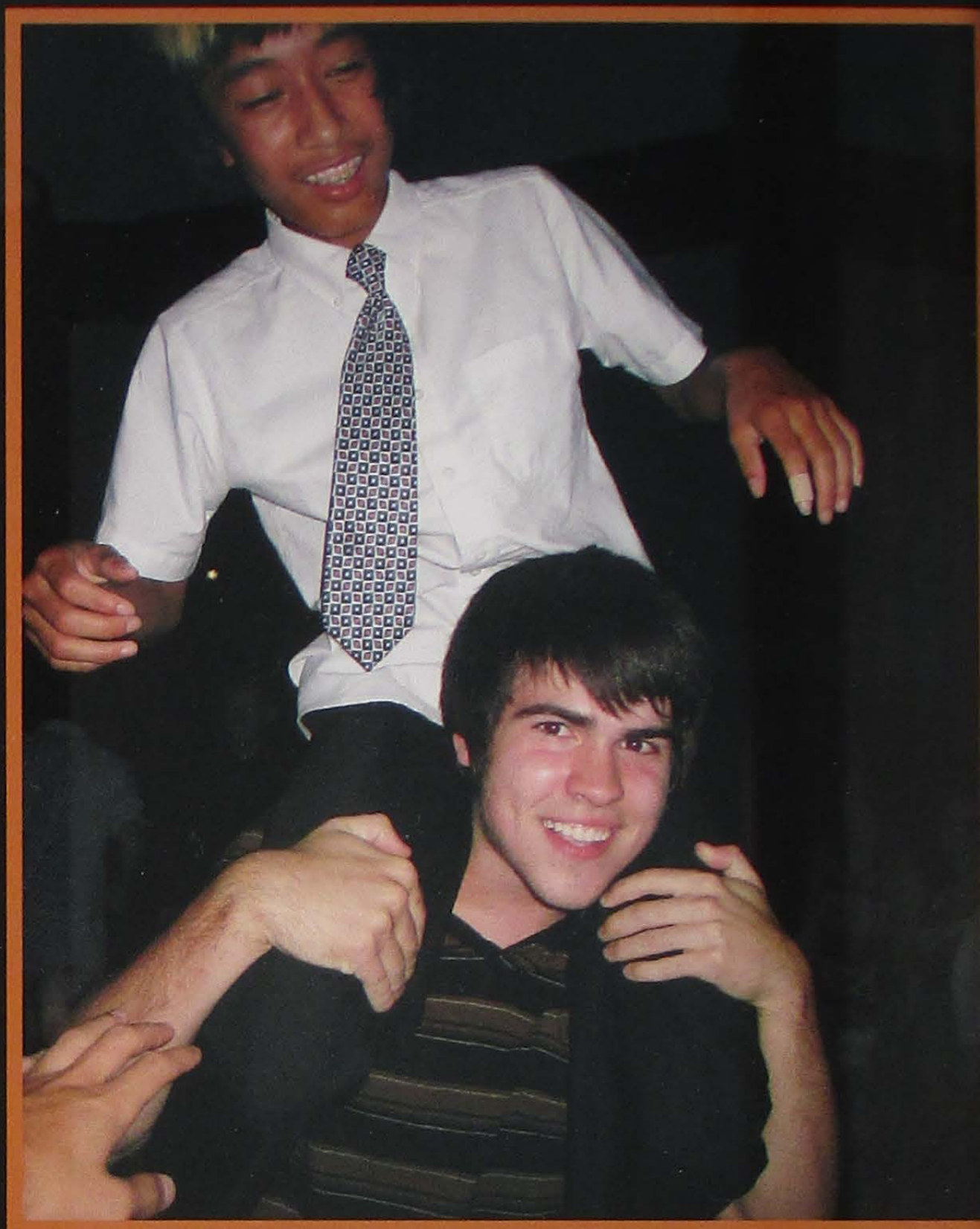


OCTOBER STUDENT LIFE

Story By Andy Boyd

Harvest, Homecoming, Halloween. This is October. This is the month in which the warm air begins to dissipate and the cold breeze works its way through the trees from the North. Students begin their descent from thin, breezy T-shirts to heavy, overbearing winter jackets. Spectators stand and breath frosty air as they watch their Little Cyclones finish the football and volleyball seasons. Early in the month, students come to school and find the halls decked with homecoming decorations. In the first week of October, the student body celebrates homecoming with a week of activities, culminating in a dance at the end of the week. Finally, the month caps off with Halloween festivities, granting us one last chance to enjoy ourselves before November comes, and our blue skies are chased away for another year.

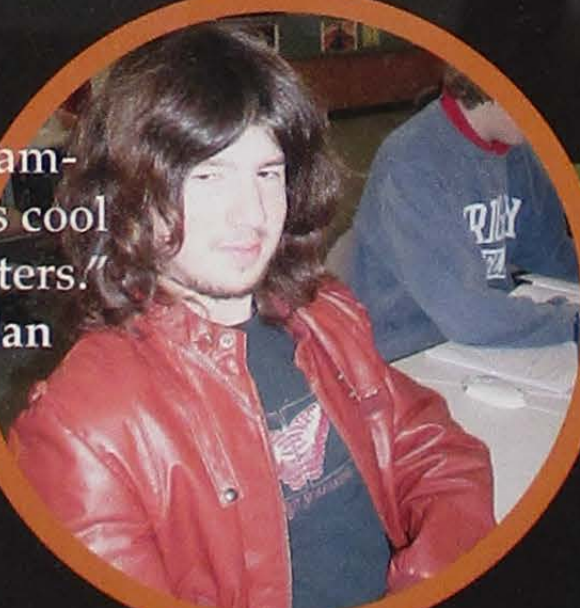
Towering Over the Crowd- Freshman Andrew Barclay hitches a ride on Senior Mark Moore's shoulders to escape the crowd below at the homecoming dance. (photo by Tony Chung)



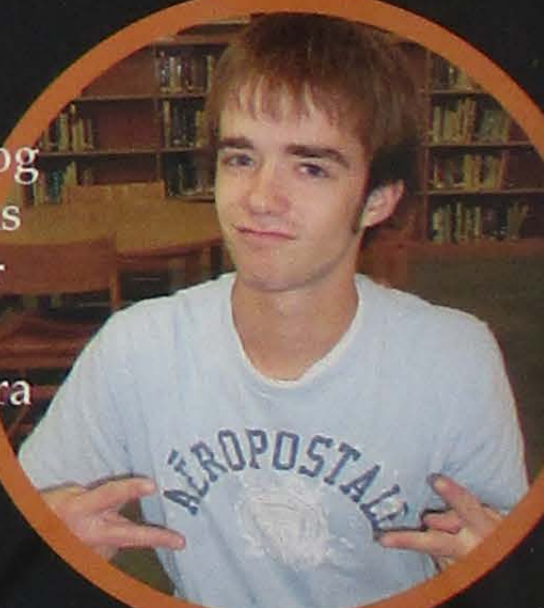
Which of your teachers would you most want to see dressed up as an animal? What animal and why?



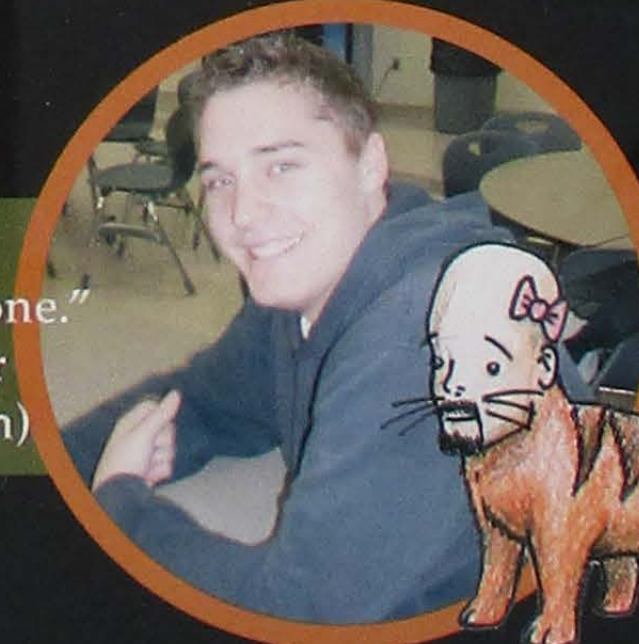
"Mr. Todd as a hamster because he's cool and so are hamsters." Sophomore Jordan Pool (photo by Kendra Moloney)



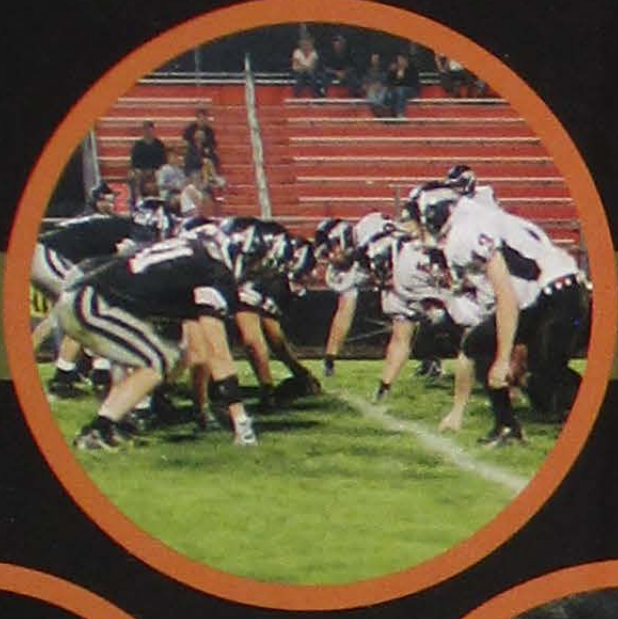
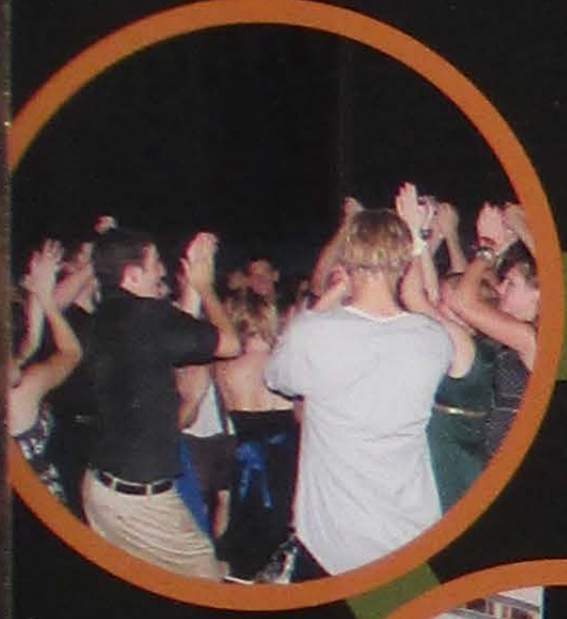
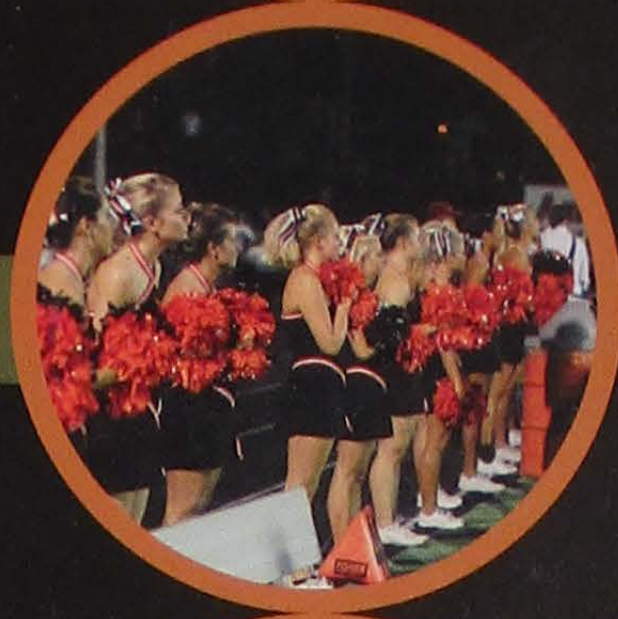
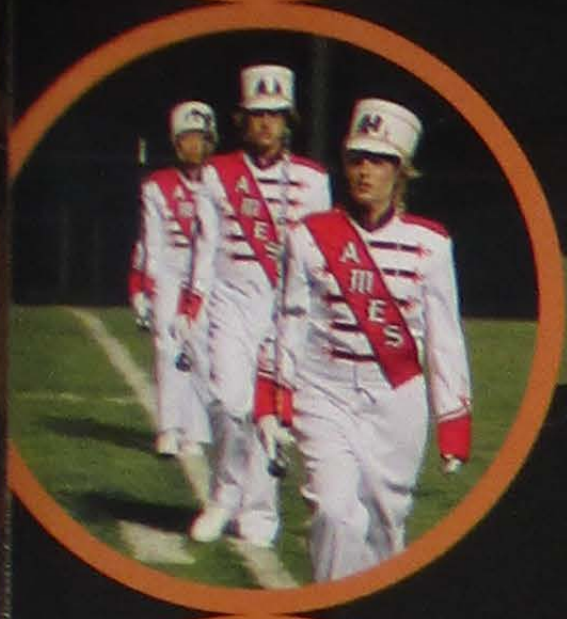
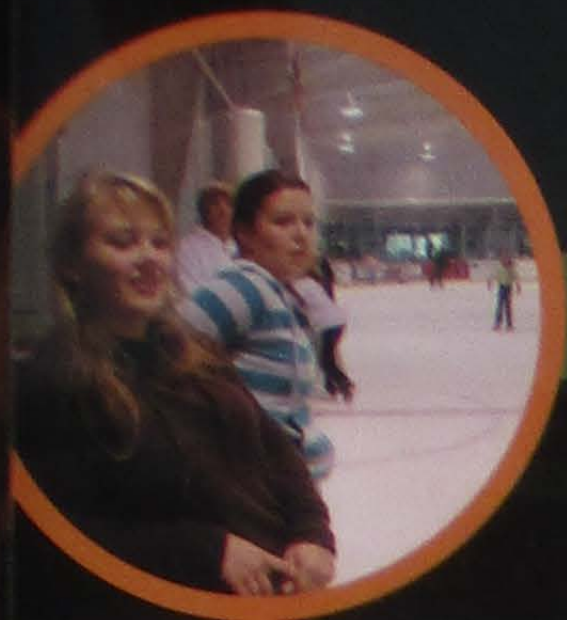
"Mr. Rial as a dog because he looks like one." Senior Matt Dearborn (photo by Kendra Moloney)



"Mr. Uetz as a koala because he looks like one." Freshman Katie Saylor (photo by Leah Hansen)



"Mr. Webb as a baby kitten because he'd be so cute." Junior Brendan Pannier (photo by Leah Hansen)



H O M E C



Once a year, the time will come for all scurvy dogs, sea biscuits, and swashbucklers to turn tide and sail their schooners into their home ports. As they drop anchor, these homeward buccaneers are greeted with great fervor and enthusiasm by loved ones whom they had left at the dock. Throughout the week after their return, all pirates will celebrate another good year of piracy with dancing, mischief, and general pirate merriment. Over the years, and as pirates have become less prevalent, this yearly celebration has waned, and evolved into our modern concept of high school Homecoming. Now, although the pirates are gone and their ships have faded into dust, these long forgotten seafarers are still fresh in our minds and forever in our hearts. In 2007, the students of Ames High payed homage to the pirates, devoting our entire homecoming celebration to their scurvy greatness. Yargh, it's a pirate's life for me!



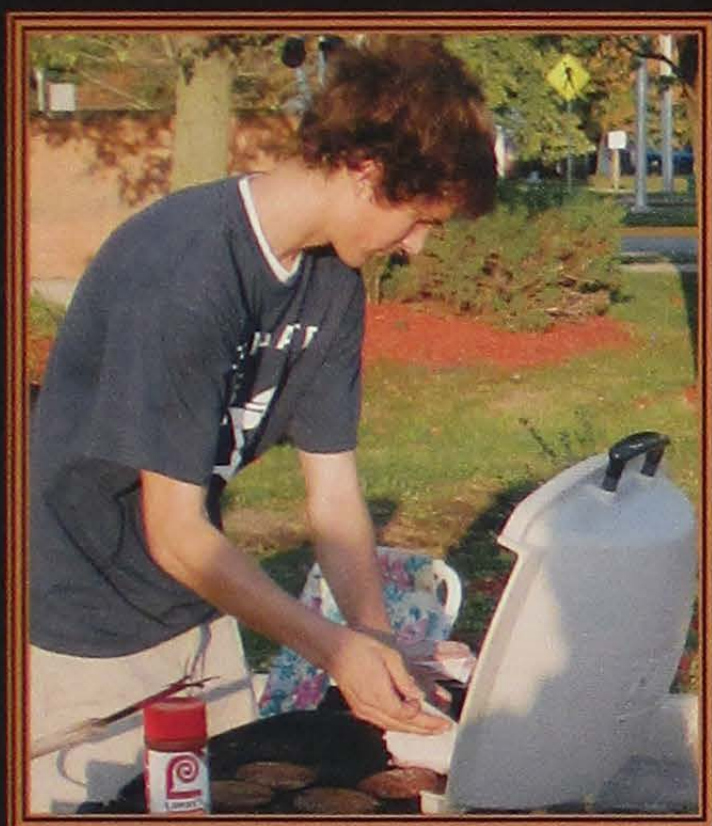
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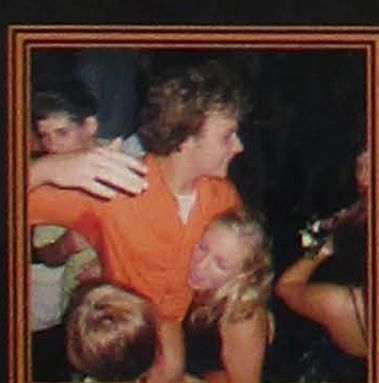
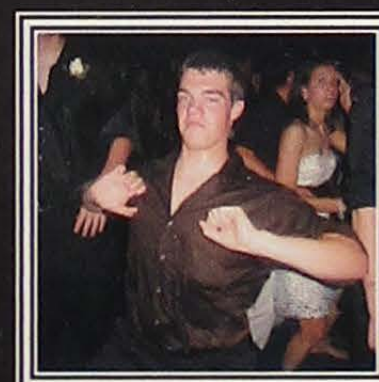
O M I N G



Hot off the grill - Rustling up a round of burger patties, senior **Luke Stephenson** chills out at Chillgate before the Ames High homecoming game begins. With newly formed clubs such as Chillgate and Vortex, tailgating became increasingly popular over the past several years. (Photo by Tony Chung)



Game Time! - Sporting some non-traditional body paint, these tailgaters show their Vortex pride while simultaneously cheering for their Little Cyclones. With growing attendance, Vortex became one of the most popular and unconventional tailgating clubs in the history of Ames High. (Photo by Tony Chung)



NOVEMBER

A crab is perched on the letter 'N' of the word 'NOVEMBER'. The word is written in large, black, block letters on a dark background. The crab is brown and orange, with its legs spread out.

(photo courtesy of Lucy Ma)

The last month of Autumn ushers in the cold and gradually prepares us for the days of winter. The trees are bare of leaves, the skies display a canvas of warm colors, and the day comes to an early end. The Thanksgiving season is a major part of November, and as tradition would dictate, people across the country prepare to celebrate freedom and fortune with a feast of seasonal food and pleasantries. For many of the students at Ames High, November is indicative of the beginning of both Madrigal and the Fall play. For other students, the most eagerly awaited occurrence of November is the beginning of the Iball Season toward the last days of the month.



Smile! - Entertaining their guests, the Madrigal singers lighten up the mood with joyous songs and comical gestures. (photo by Ben Nadler)



Breakaway - Carrying the ball down the court, junior **Jamison DiSalvo** competes with his Iball team "JP for 3." (photo by B. Nelson)

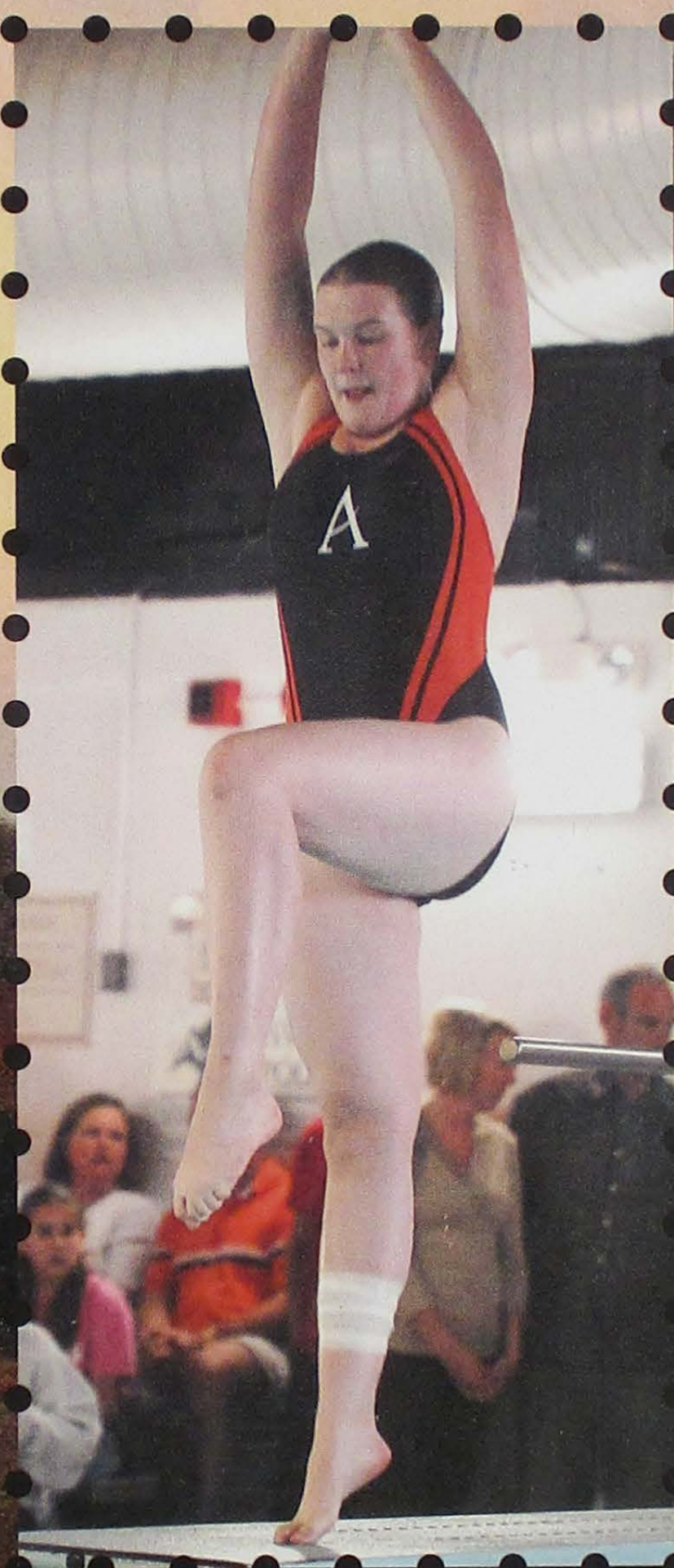
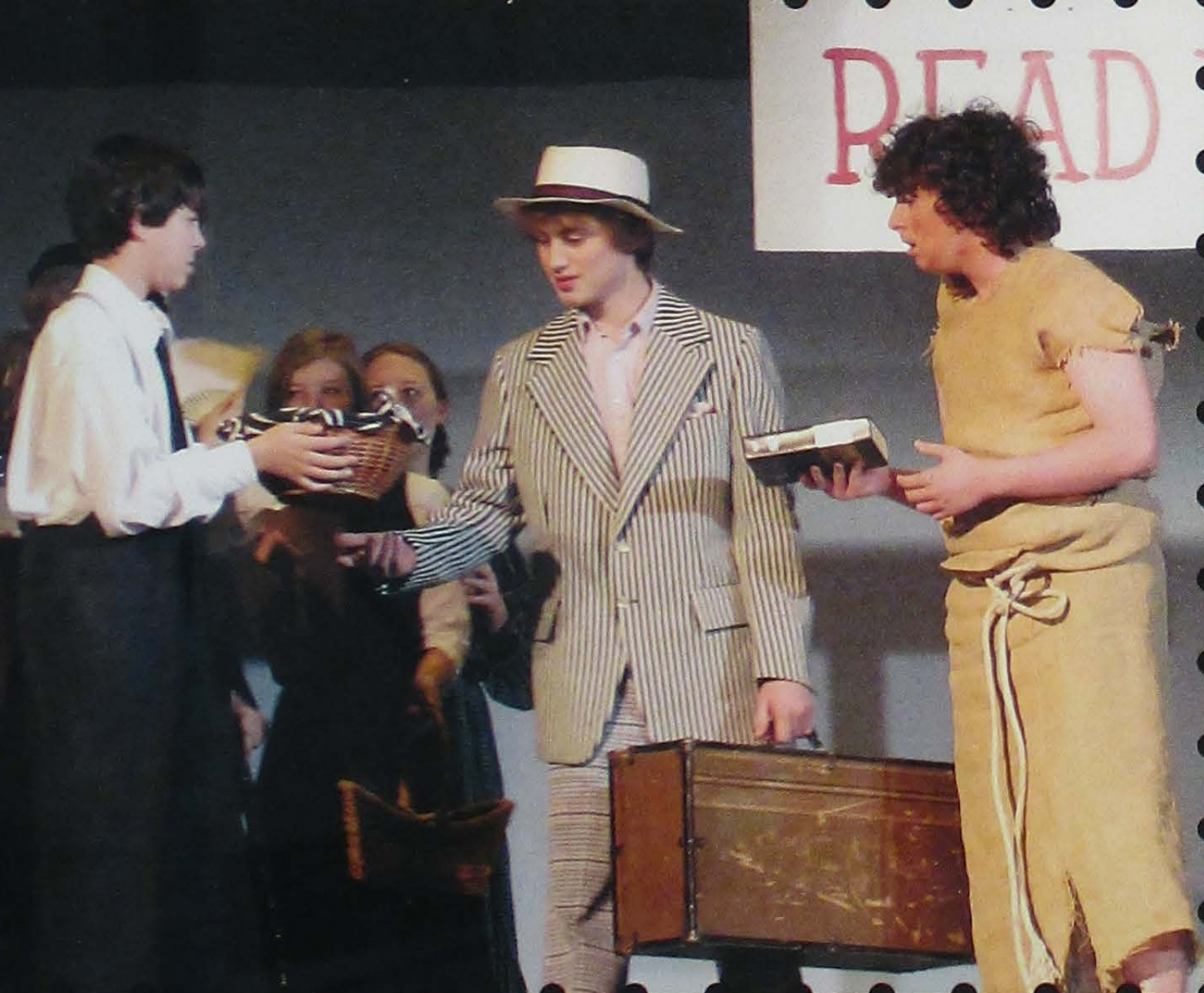


High Kickin' - Performing during half time, the drill team silver squad dances to a song from the musical *Wicked*. (photo by Tony Chung)



Making a Statement - Playing their instruments before a varsity basketball game, the band performs "Ames High Loyalty." (photo by Ben Nadler)

Here's Your Hat, What's Your Hurry? - Getting ready for departure, sophomore **Kuper Bergman** receives gifts during the spring play. (photo courtesy of Will Rundle)



A Leap of Faith - Getting ready to vault off the edge of the diving board, junior **Marley Bob Dobbins** competes as a member of the Ames High School Varsity diving team. (Photo by Natalie Enloe)

NOVEMBER STUDENT LIFE

Story By Cathy Pastiak and Kaitlin Estill

November is the transition from the Fall to the Winter, during which students are anxiously awaiting their Thanksgiving breaks. This month is one of the busier times for students. Musically active students participate in Madrigal and All-State Music Festival, while the more athletic students practice for basketball games and state competitions. Some athletes, however, are unable to participate in other school sponsored activities, such as the Senior Senate Blood Drive, because of their conflicting sporting events.

Sophomore **Mackenzie Dickson** was looking forward to helping the cause until she realized she didn't meet the weight requirements. "I really tried to gain 15 pounds over break so I could donate blood during the Senior Senate Blood Drive," Dickson said.

Fortunately, many others were able to contribute to this great, life-saving cause.



A Convenient Truth - Enjoying an unseasonably warm day, juniors **Ian Hermon** and **Rex Fernando** take advantage of the nice weather by eating out in the courtyard. Many students eagerly took a break outside in the warm November. (photo by Ben Nadler)

What is your favorite alternative to turkey on Thanksgiving?

"Roast beef. I don't eat meat." - Sophomore **Aaron Gaffney**



"CousCous - it's kind of addicting." - Senior **Michael Peterson**



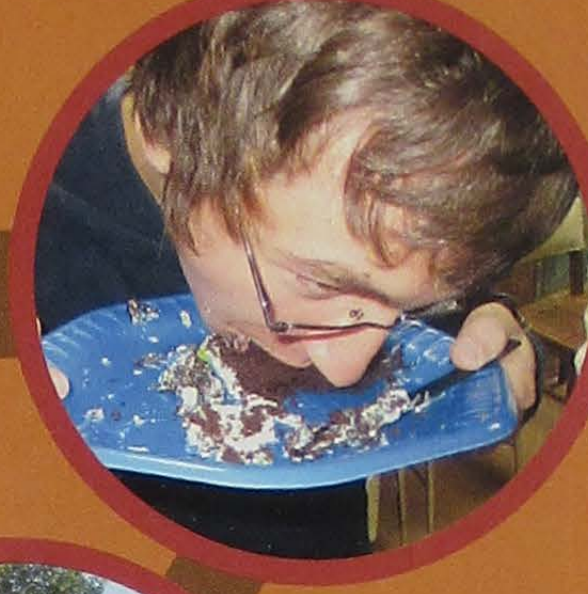
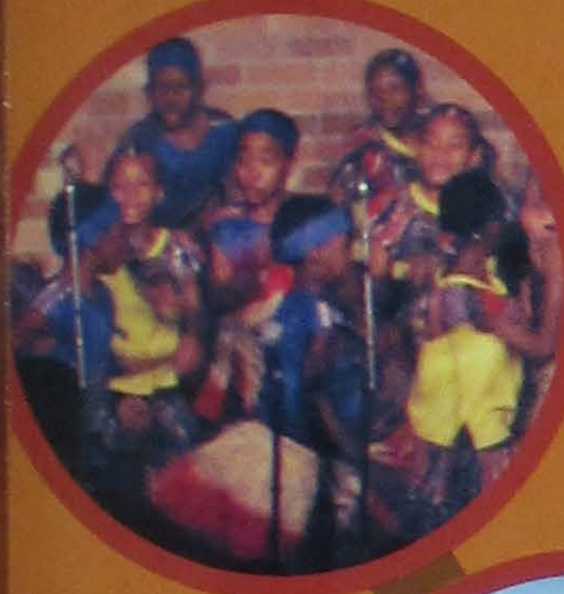
"Mashed potatoes because I like to build monstrous volcanoes." - Freshman **Chrisann Zuerner**

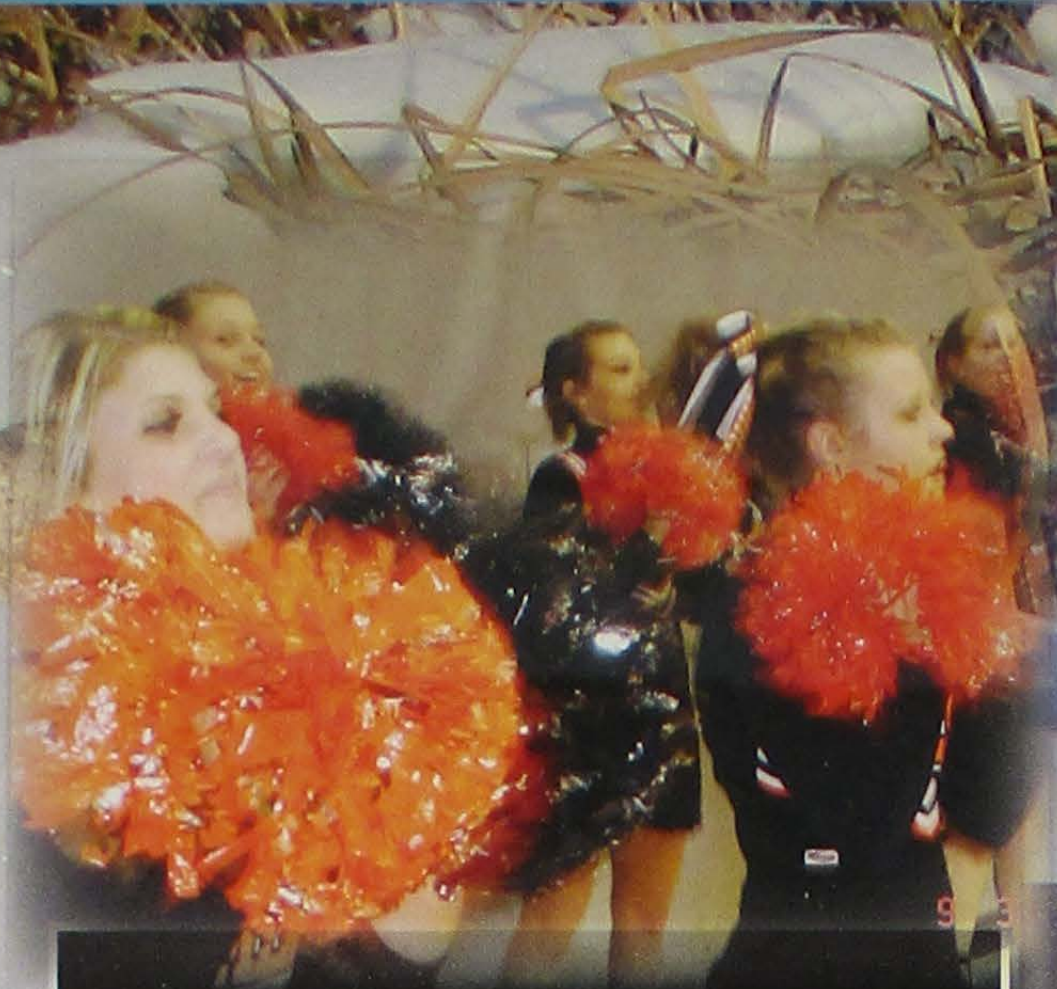


"Puppies, but not kittens because they're too tough." - Junior **James Fang**



Photos by Cathy Pastiak





December in Iowa reaches polar bear conditions

"Sub-zero temperatures leave students huddled together for warmth and entertainment." - Senior Sam Bird

Story by: Leah Hansen

Snow storms this December were not a rare occasion. The most snow in one storm was six inches. Along with the snow came 40 mph winds. This gave students a chance to go sledding with friends or head to Seven Oaks in Boone to ski, snow board, or snow tube.

This month was also highlighted by many school activities and events. Basketball, wrestling, Madrigal, and cheerleading were just a few AHS activities that happened.

Another event at the end of the month was winter break. Many students spent their break by going on family vacations, spending time with friends, and relaxing while being away from school. "I spent my winter break in Breckenridge, Colorado. I had a lot of fun snowboarding with my brothers," senior Anna Carswell said.



Snuggle Time - Warming up after a day of sledding, senior **Kayla Ranney** and freshman **Lauren Grant** take a breather while spending time at the Gateway Hill. While the seemingly endless run of ice, snow, and sub-zero temperatures wore on even the most vocal lovers of winter, the season did, at least, provide ample opportunity to engage in winter activities like sledding. (photo by Magon Liu)



DECEMBER

Dog Pile - Sled-
ding on a snowy day,
sophomore **Lauren
Bonett** and friends
cruise down Gateway
Hill. (photo by Magon
Liu)



All Twisted Up
- Playing a rousing
game of Twister on
New Year's, a group
of students get up
close and personal.
(photo by Ben Nadler)

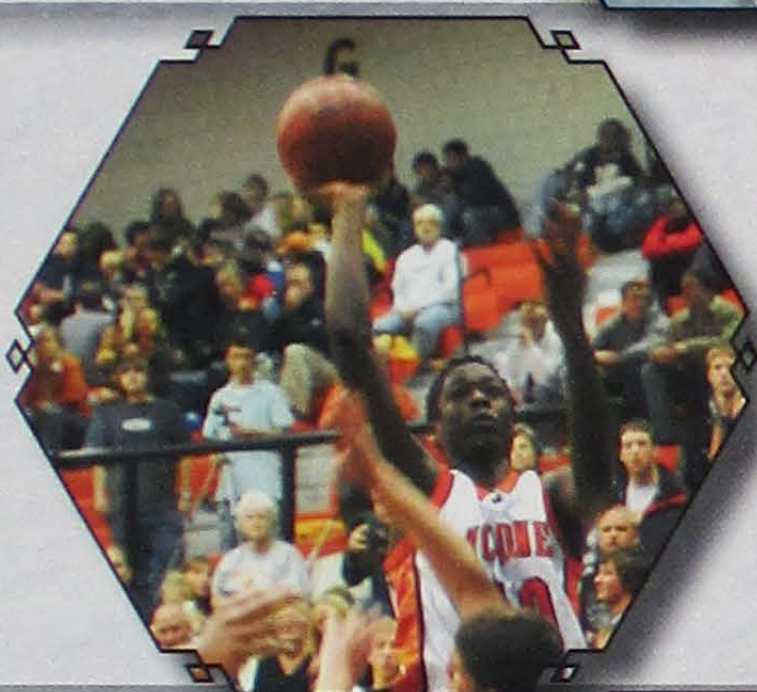


Fun Fact! - December used to be
the tenth month of the Roman year,
and it gets its name from the word
"decem," which means ten. Then the
Anglo-Saxons changed it to "*Heligh
Monath*," meaning holy month.



Aqua Man! - Coming up for a breath
of air, senior **Daniel Brown** does the
butterfly stroke. One fun thing that
the boys swim team did every year
was their annual hair bleaching before
conference. (photo by Tony Chung)

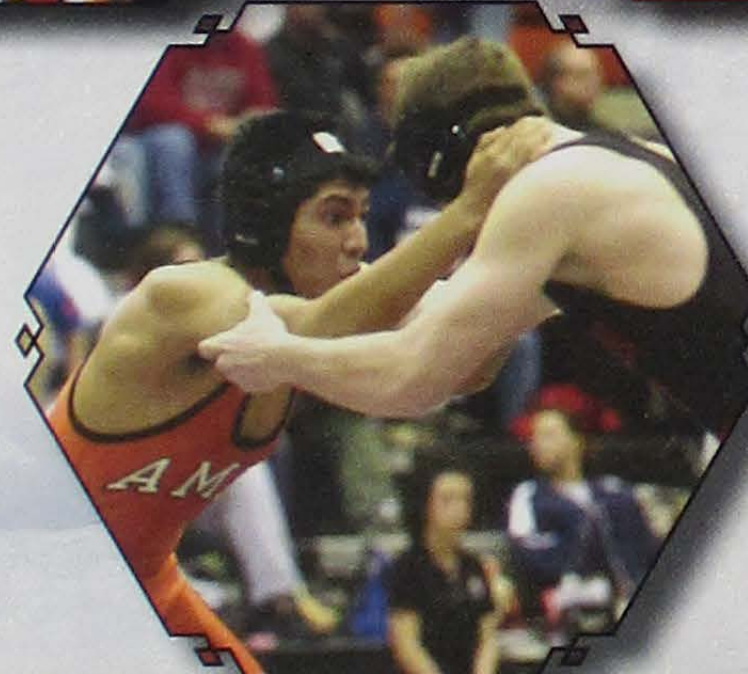
Hands Up - Pop-
ping a quick pull-
up jumper over
an Urbandale Jay
Hawk, sophomore
Harrison Barnes
helps lead Ames to a
win. (photo by Tony
Chung)



Game Time - Root-
ing on the Cyclones,
the student section
sit in the stands and
cheer on the team.
(photo by Tony
Chung)



Stare Down- Wrestling in the
Ames High gym, sophomore **Devin
Becraft** attempts to lock up his oppo-
nent for Ames. During this tour-
nament there were 17 teams that
participated. (photo by Magon Liu)



Fun Fact! - In the Northern Hemi-
sphere, most birds have gone to warmer
climates. But many animals are active.
Mink, ermine, beavers, and foxes grow
beautiful coats of fur. Nature finishes
preparing for the long winter ahead.

Strike A Pose - Per-
forming a "Liberty,"
sophomore **Katie
Trickle** gets lifted
into the air by
her fellow
cheerleaders.
(photo by Kendra
Moloney)



Happy New Year -
Celebrating together,
juniors **Daniel
Lanning** and **Eric
Garasky** dance
at Rex Fernando's
house. (photo by Ben
Nadler)



DECEMBER STUDENT LIFE

Story by Leah Hansen

Many students escape the cold by spending time in the AHS gym. Throughout December, many students spent their time with their teammates at practices and games. The varsity boys basketball players had two-a-day practices and games on Friday evenings. Coach Downs spent a lot of time creating plays to help the team to a victory.

In a huddle before the games the team would hear inspirational words from the coach and players in order to get pumped up for the game. The varsity boys team had a successful season this year with a final record of 20-3.

For basketball games this month some junior and senior boys bought orange jump suits to help cheer on the AHS team. Along with wearing the suits to the game, some dedicated boys also spent their day in class in their bright orange jump suits to show their love for the team and the game.



Drawing Board - Making plays for his team coach Vance Downs attempts to pump up the varsity boys basketball team before a game. (photo by Tony Chung)

What was your favorite part of winter break?

"Going to Arizona for a golf tournament."

Sophomore **Katie Purcell**
(Photo by Leah Hansen)



"Barak Obama winning the Iowa presidential caucus."

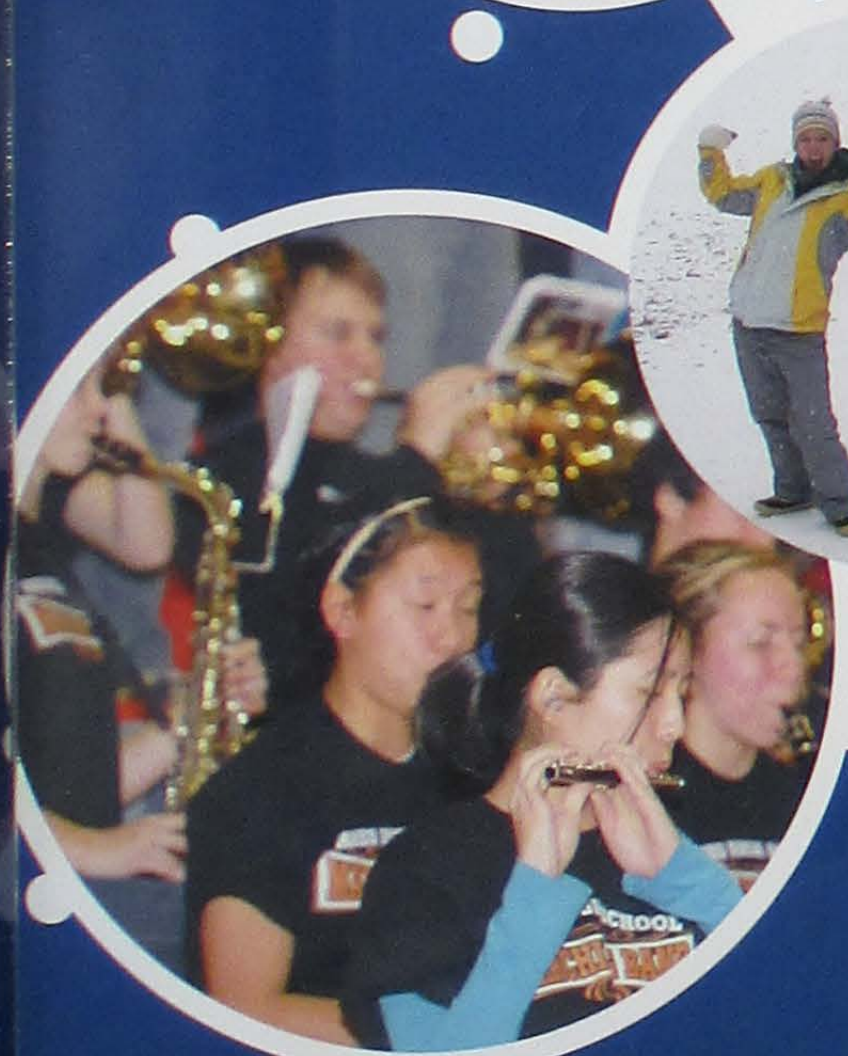
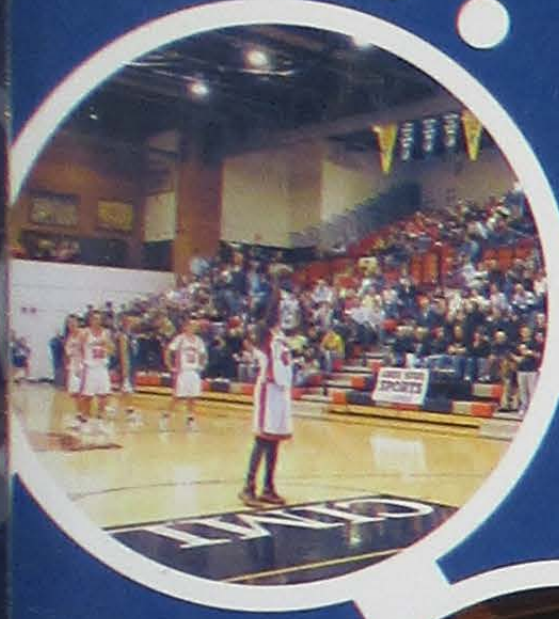
Senior **Chris Elsenbast**
(Photo by Leah Hansen)



"I got a new guitar."
Freshman **Logan Strong** (Photo by Leah Hansen)



"I went shopping in Chicago, Illinois." Junior **Ally Eregbu** (Photo by Leah Hansen)



JANUARY



Is it the Shoes!?- Laying up the ball, sophomore **James Wandling** focuses on technique. (Photo by Ben Nadler)

As if December wasn't cold enough...

Here comes all that unbearable extreme cold that we all missed so dearly during the holiday season. Frost creeps over the car windows in the parking lot. Ice caps begin to form on driveways as layers of snow compact into thin sheets. All forms of life are forced into hiding as the wind blows, freezing us to the bone. Yes, the relatively warm days of December are gone, so grab your ice scrapers, because January is here.



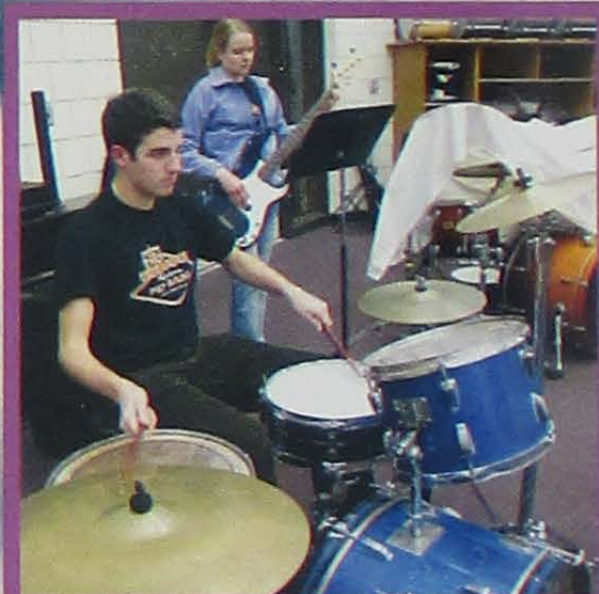
Rock the Caucus- Giving a speech about his candidate, this man takes part in one of Iowa's finer traditions; the caucus. (Photo by Andy Boyd)



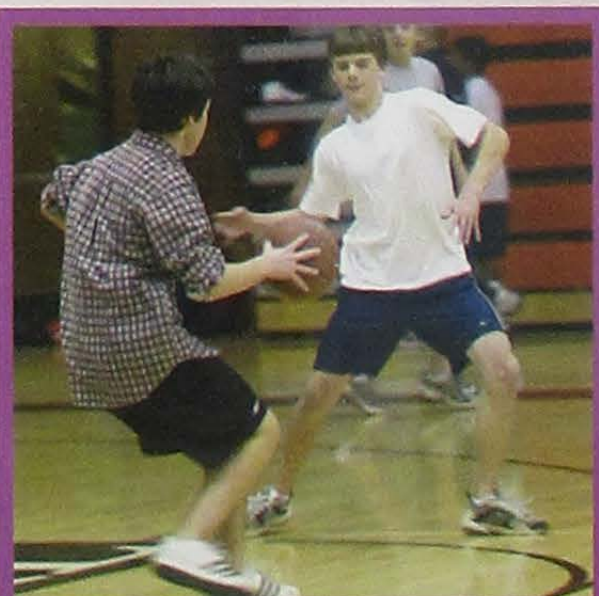
Dance the Night Away- Welcoming in the New Year, junior **Kelly Grogg**, a dancing diva, shakes it into the new year (Photo by Ben Nadler)



Recycle For Life- Helping the planet, junior **Laurel Tuggle** and sophomore **Hannah Tuggle** collect paper. (Photo by Ben Nadler)



He's Trapped!- Drumming on a trapset senior **Joshua Larson-Konar** kicks the beats out. (Photo by Ben Nadler)



Stylin' and Profilin'- Playing defense, freshman **Pierce Hanway** guards the player with his life. (Photo by Laurel Scott)



Slip and Slide- Falling off of their inner tubes, these winter warriors enjoy the art of sledding. (Photo by Magon Liu)



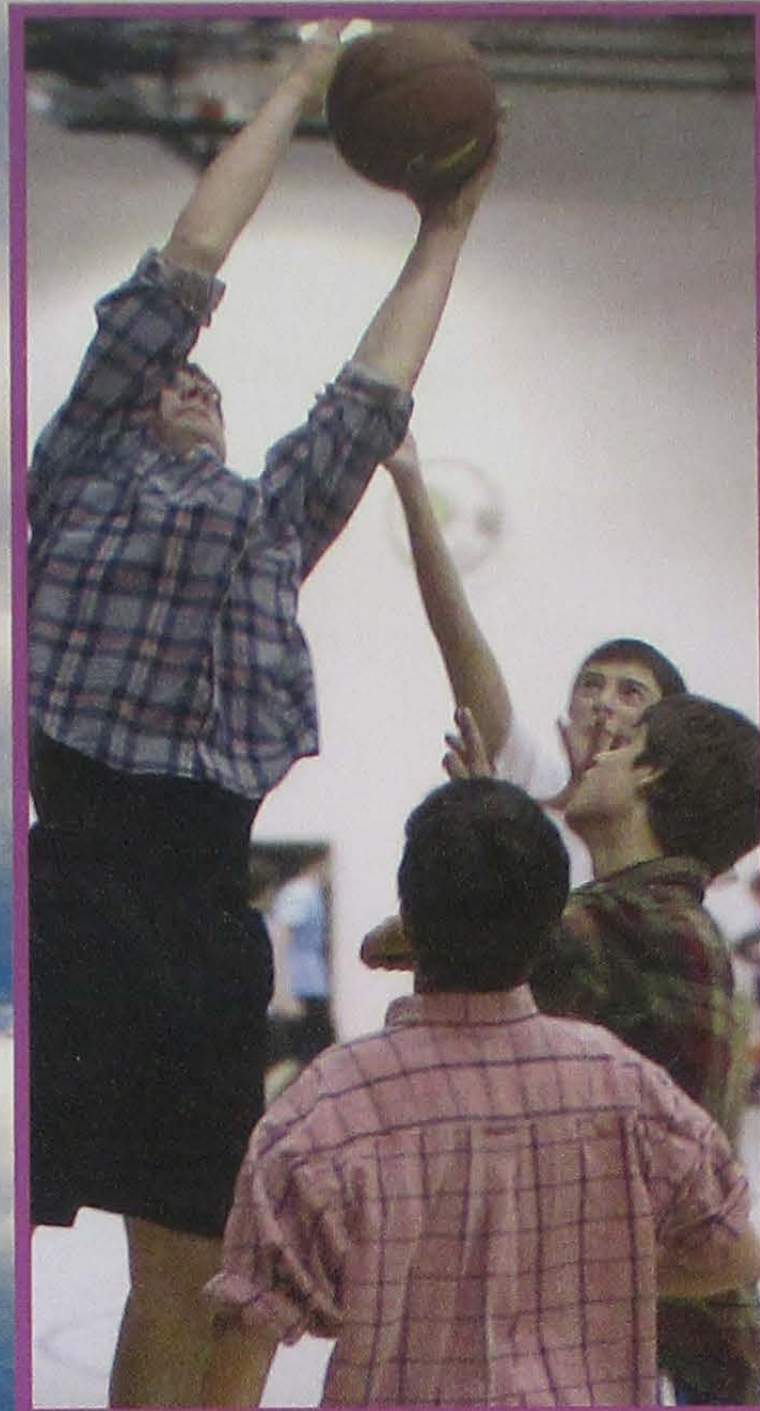
Tapout!- Showing off his mad wrestling skills, junior **Daniel Jahren** dominates his opponent from rival school, Valley High. (Photo by Magon Liu)



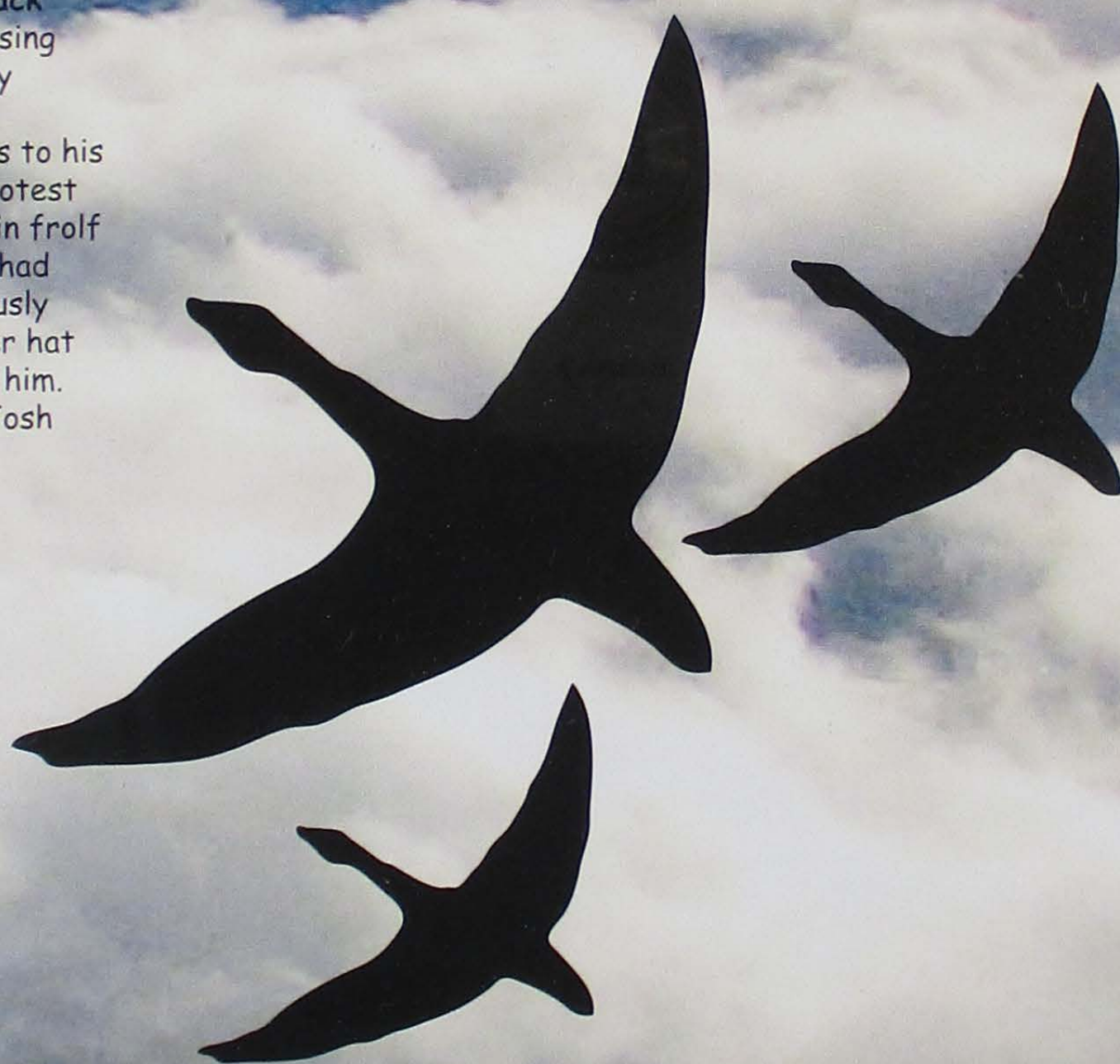
Just tap it in- Partaking in the glorious sport that is Winter Frolf-ing juniors **Dan Lanning** and **Josh Brown** brave the cold for one of their winter activities. (Photo by Jess Nelson)



Put your back into it- Losing ungracefully junior **Jess Nelson** falls to his knees to protest his defeat in frolf. Luckily, he had his ferociously furry winter hat to comfort him. (Photo by Josh Brown)



Bad, rad, and mad in plaid- Pulling down a rebound, sophomore **David Shirbroun** attempts to win another intense game of I-ball. (Photo by Magon Liu)



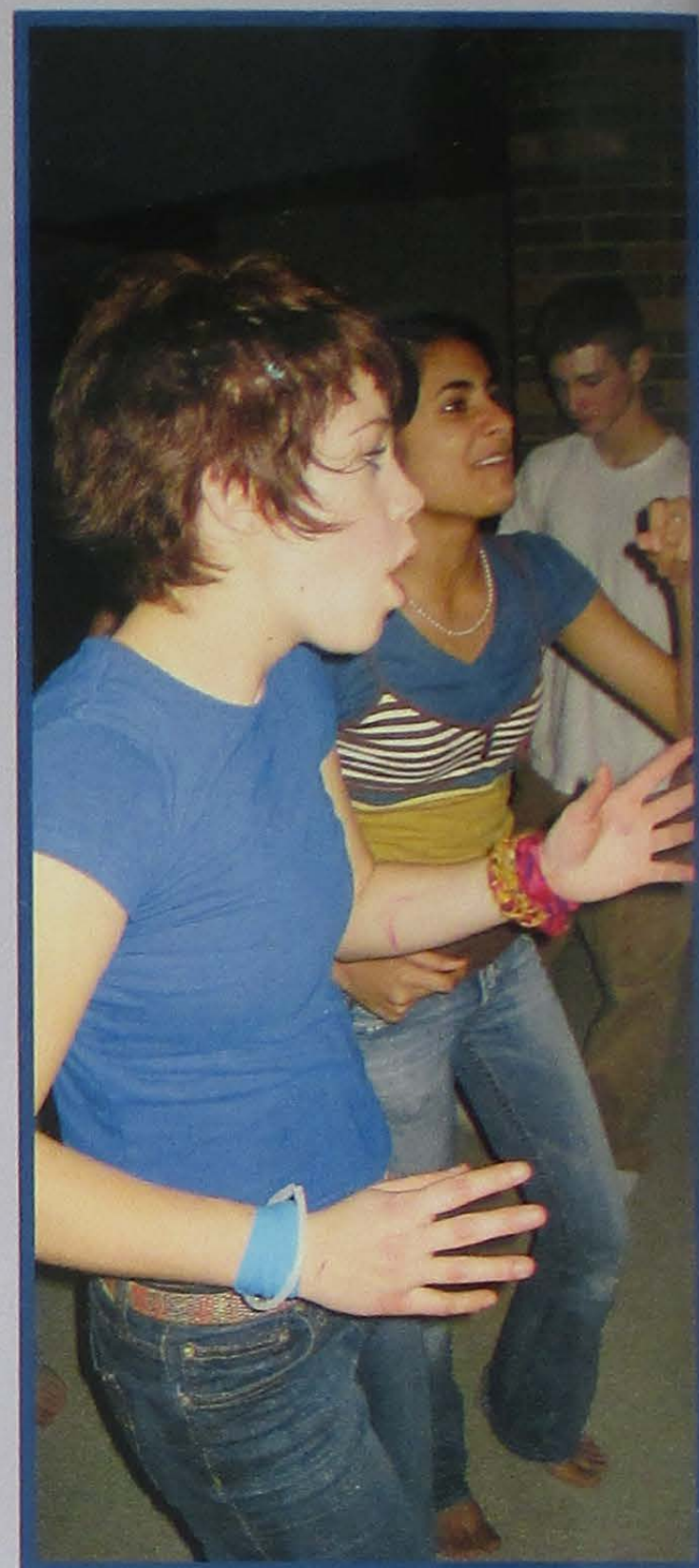
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JANUARY STUDENT LIFE

Story By Andy Boyd



Harvest, Homecoming, Halloween. This is October. This is the month in which the warm air begins to dissipate and the cold breeze works its way through the trees from the North. Students begin their descent from thin, breezy T-shirts to heavy, overbearing winter jackets. Spectators stand and breathe frosty air as they watch their Little Cyclones finish the football and volleyball seasons. Early in the month, students come to school and find the halls decked with homecoming decorations. In the first week of October, the student body celebrates homecoming with a week of activities, culminating in a dance at the end of the week. Finally, the month caps off with Halloween festivities, granting us one last chance to enjoy ourselves before November comes, and our blue skies are chased away for another year.



What was your new year's resolution?

"I didn't have a resolution this year." Freshman James Chidister (Photo by Leah Hansen)



"Supporting the Cubs in winning the world series." Sophomore Josh Gorman (Photo by Leah Hansen)

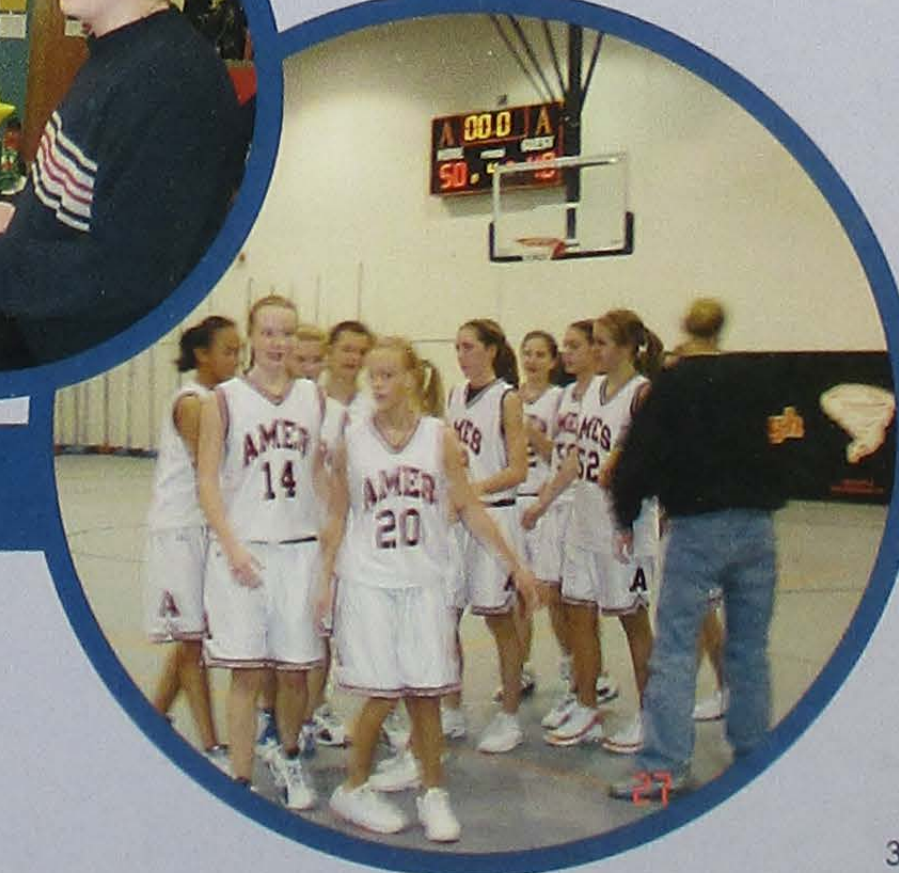
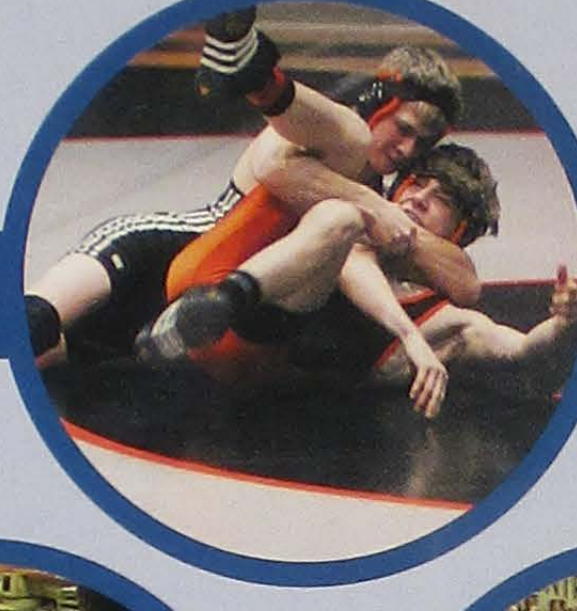
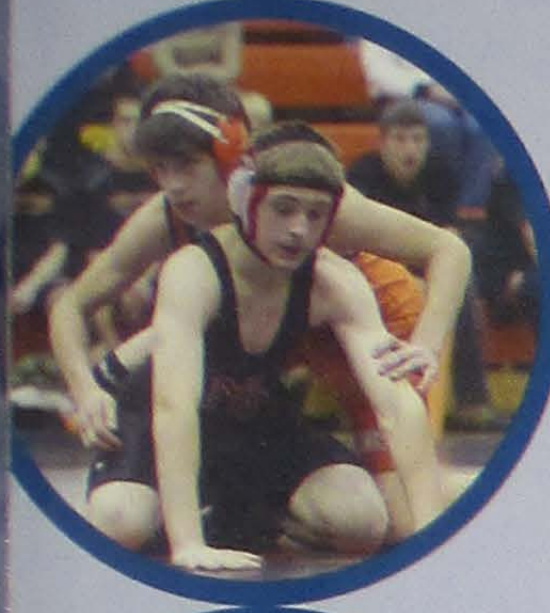


"To focus more on my studies." Junior Allison Hamilton (Photo by Leah Hansen)



"To make this year the BEST it can be." Seniors Martha Garasky and Laura Gehring (Photo by Leah Hansen)





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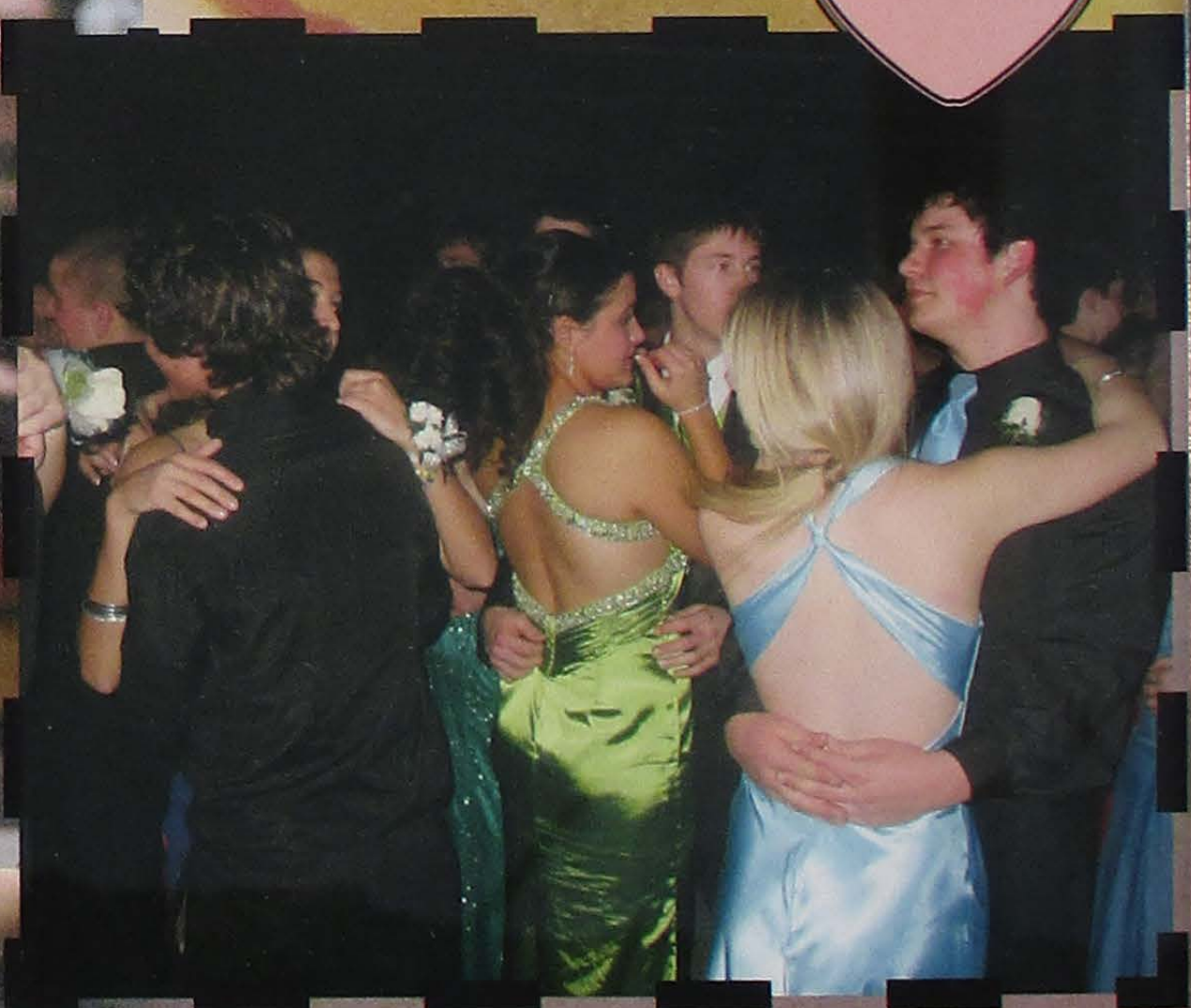
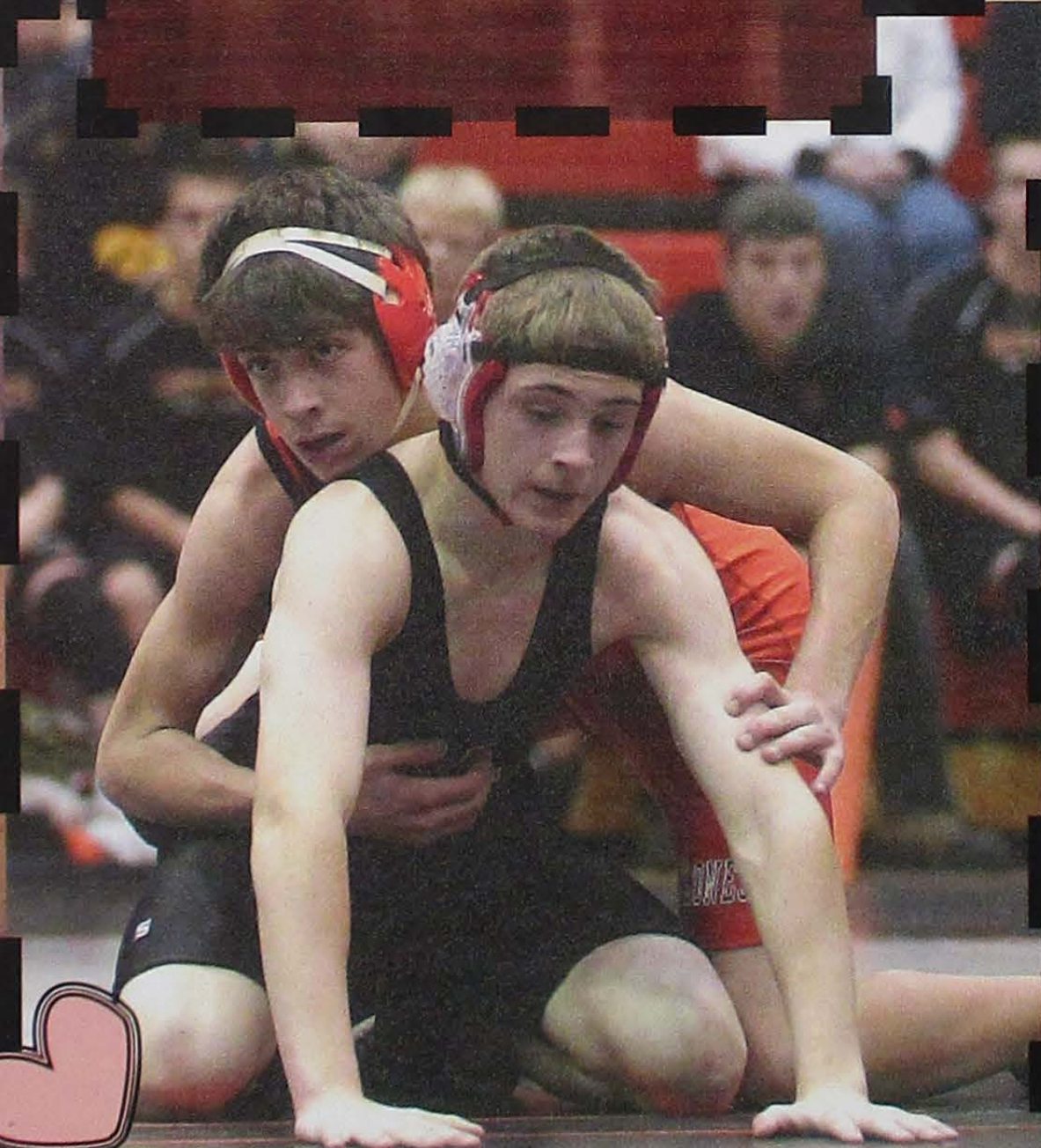
E-MAIL
ME

Valentines Day - Holiday or Hoax?

By: Andy Boyd

February rolls around just about the same time every year. Around the same general time frame comes the day on which we, as a nation, have chosen to celebrate love, relationships, and little naked babies with wings and arrows that make you fall in love. In lieu of finding a legitimate way to show how you care for someone, it has become a custom in America to indulge in the merchandising of this now commercial holiday. When the special day comes, one can most certainly expect to consume at least four-thousand of those waxy little hearts with goofy phrases on them. "E-MAIL ME." And who remembers elementary school? When the little children walk into their classrooms in the morning, they can enter without a sliver of a doubt that their visual receptors will be assaulted by pink, purple, and red decorations delicately stapled around the outside border of a cork bulletin board. Year after year, they condition you to believe that Valentine's Day is a real holiday. Eventually, you advance on to high school, where the hype is just as bad. Come February of freshman year, you are alone, and on that fateful Wednesday, you receive no crushes at all. At this point you have become bitter and angsty, aggravated by the fact that you can never find a nice person to spend your time with. This "holiday" only serves to remind you that you are all by yourself. Happy

Valentine's Day!





Stacked- Taping notes to a salvo of Crush cans, Junior **Mythili Prabhu** takes part in the daunting task of preparing the Crush cans to be delivered to students on Wednesday. (Photo by Daniel Park)



Bee's Knees- Experiencing the pop culture of the '20s, AP Language and Composition students dance until the end of the night during the annual Gatsby Party. (Photo by Ben Nadler)



Work It, Baby!- Looking fierce, sophomore **Emily Downard** strikes a pose on the end of the runway at the Ames High Fashion Show. This year's designers got creative by making outfits out of many innovative materials. (Photo by Ben Nadler)



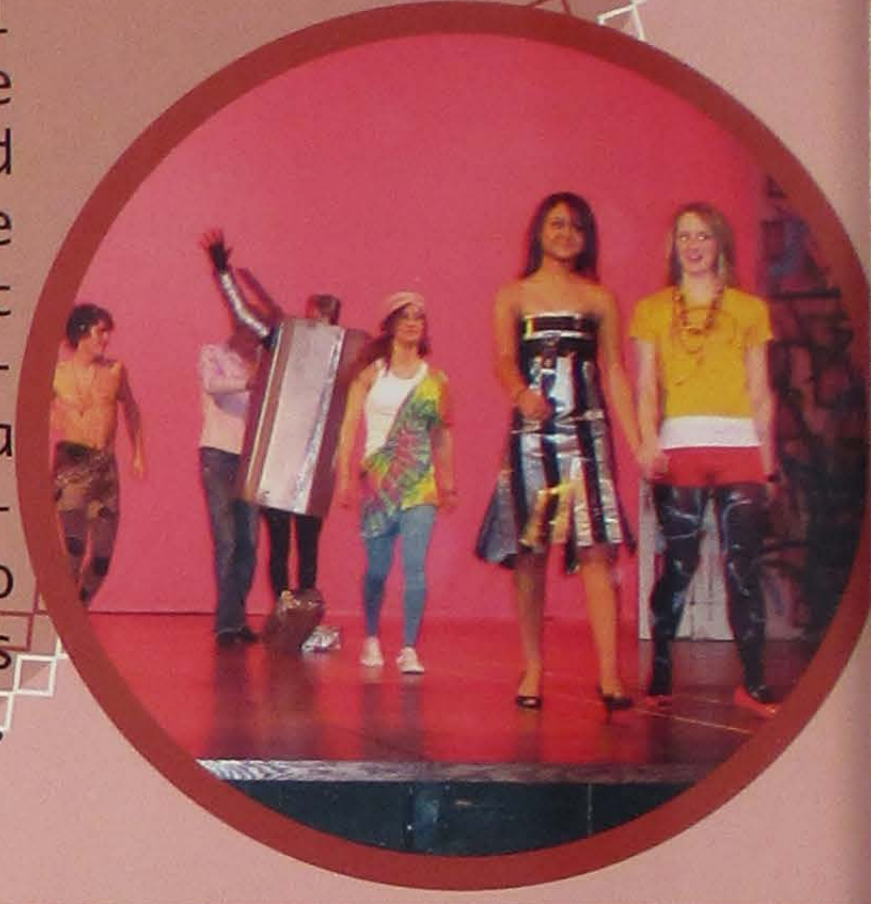
Turn the Wheel Around
- Playing guitar in her band Prism Schism, Senior **Hannah Button-Harrison** brings a taste of talent and musical genius to the AHS coffee house. (photo by Laurel Scott)

FEBRUARY 2

Story By Andy Boyd

Basketball. State Wrestling. Music concerts. Freezing cold. February is when students start to realize how long the rest of the year is, and how far away spring break is. Students begin to get a bit stir crazy, as the bitter temperatures keep even winter lovers inside with a hot cup of cocoa. To compensate, students devote themselves with inhuman zest to the events and activities of Ames High. Whether it be packing the student section at the basketball games or selling their souls to the cult that is I-Ball, students get a bit extreme this time of year. One popular

outlet is the annual fashion show, where students create and model the stylish, the sheik, and the just plain weird. The fashion show has become a staple of Ames High student life and looks to build on its success for many years to come.



WHAT IS THE ANSWER TO THE UNIVERSE?

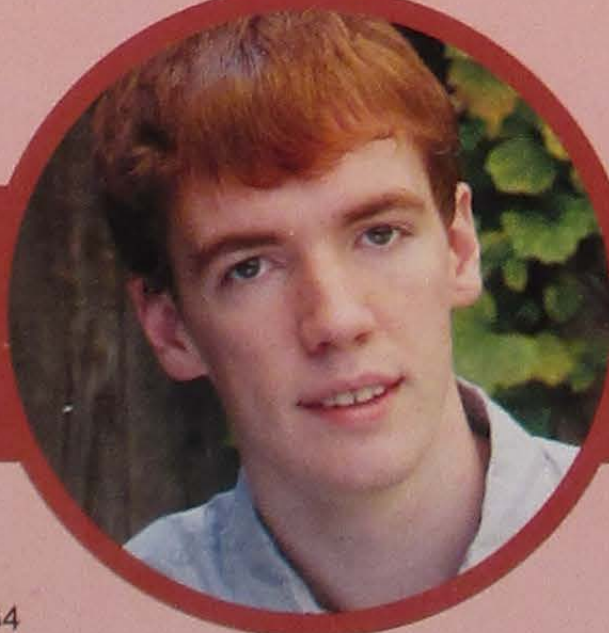
"Rock and roll, dude!"
Mark Moore
Senior



"Organic existentialism"
Shaggy Sandler
Senior

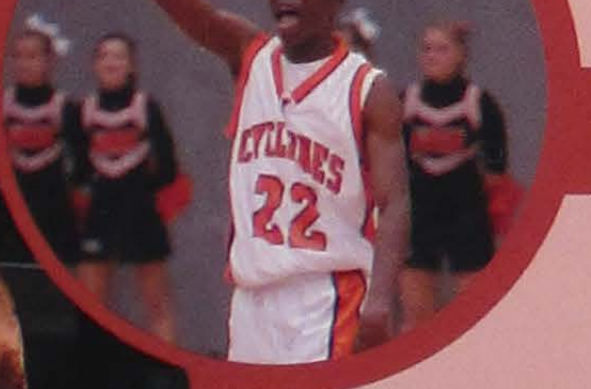
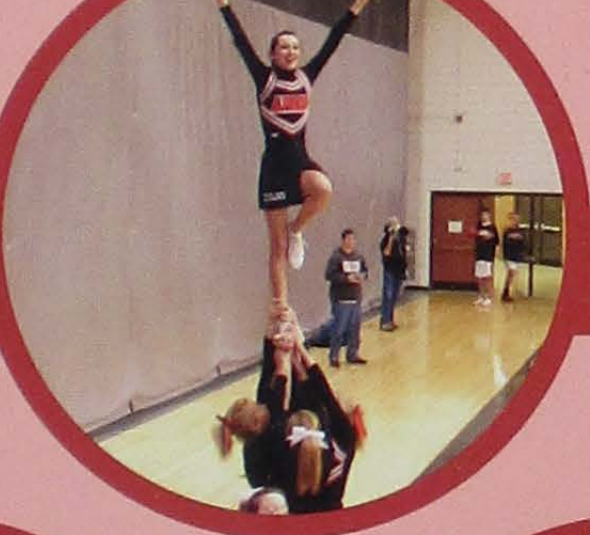
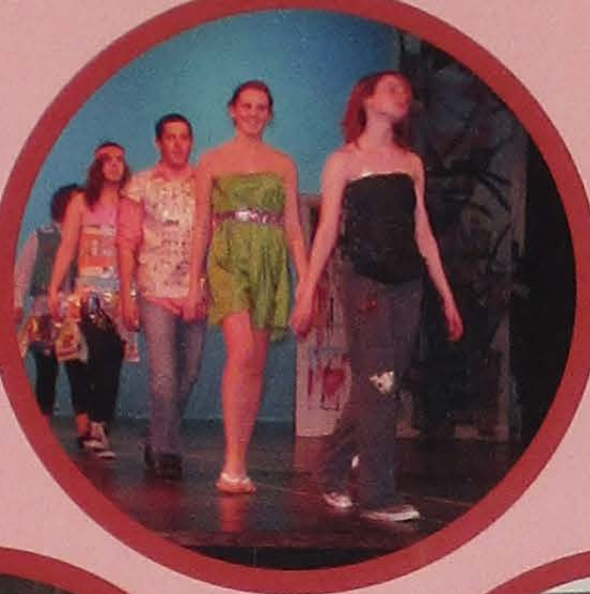
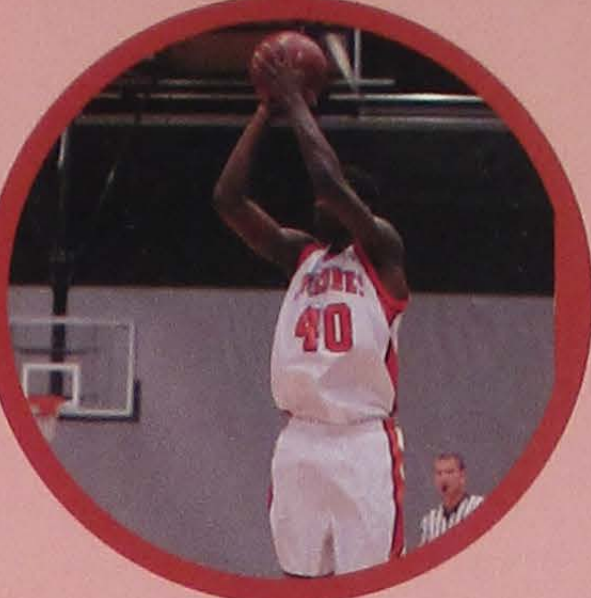


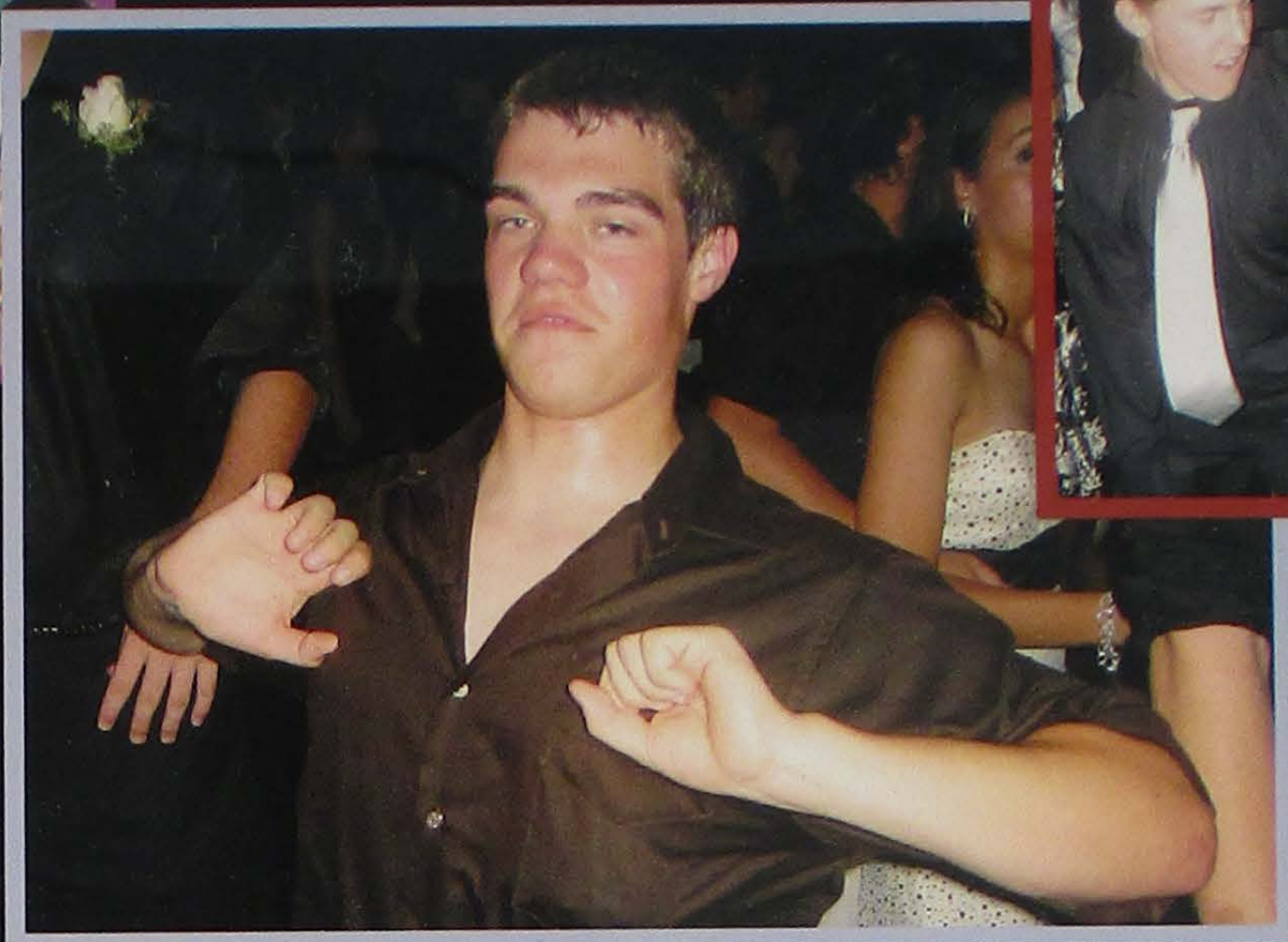
"Finnegan's Wake by James Joyce. Definitely."
Daniel Alexander
Senior



"Universal truths, duh!"
Katie Warning
Senior

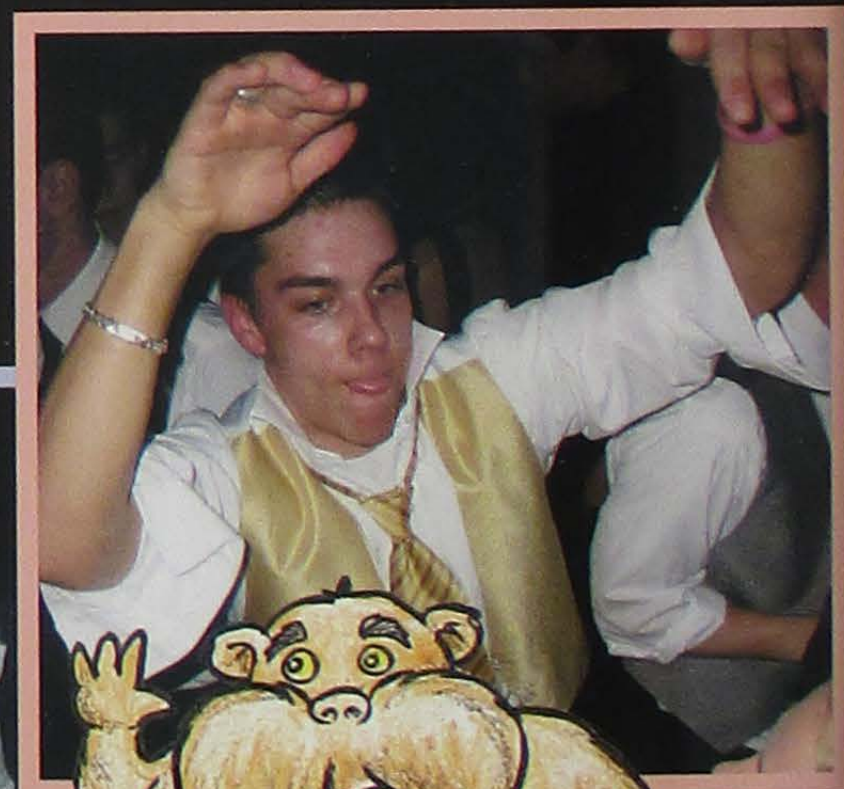
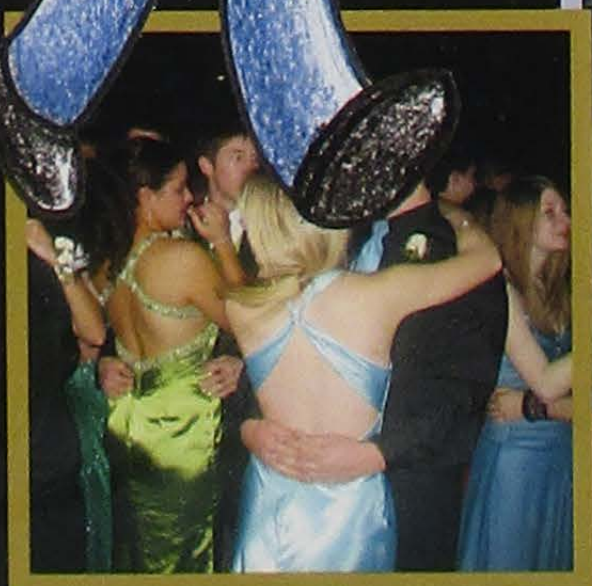


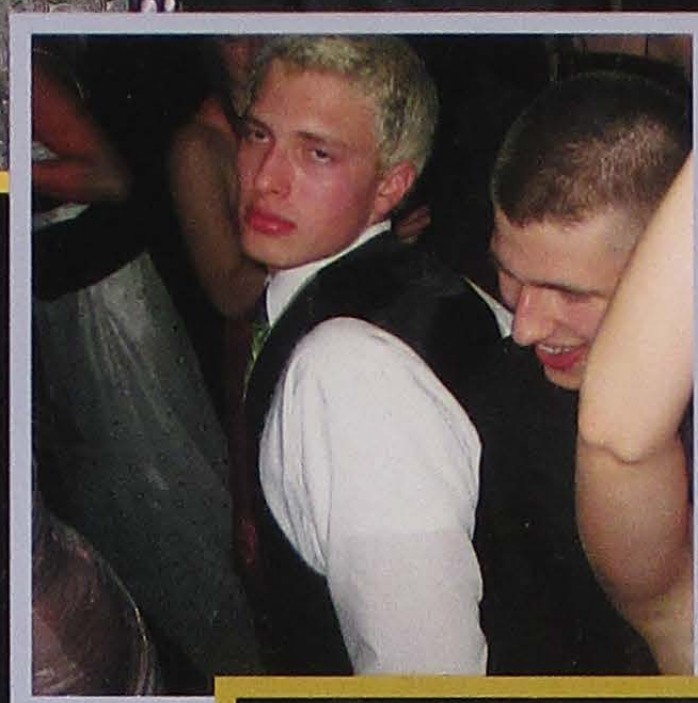
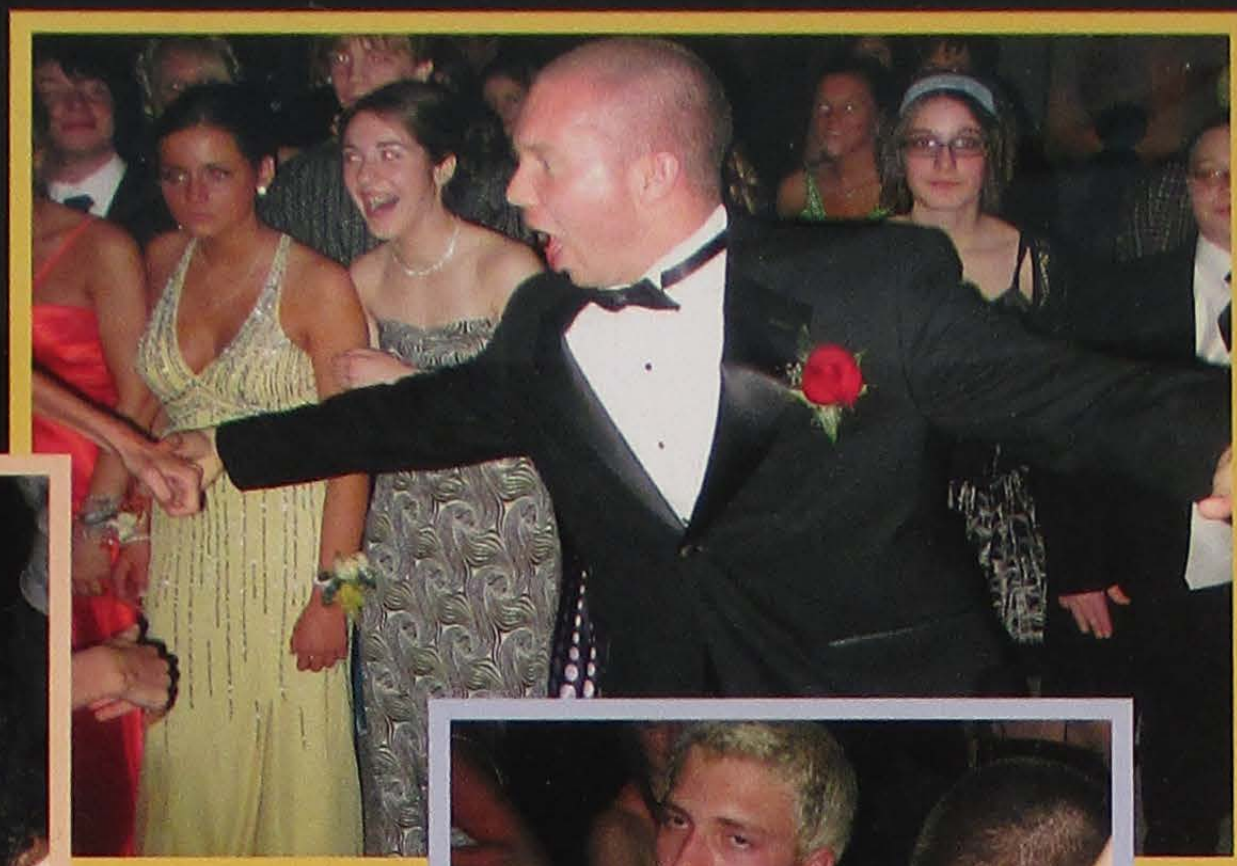




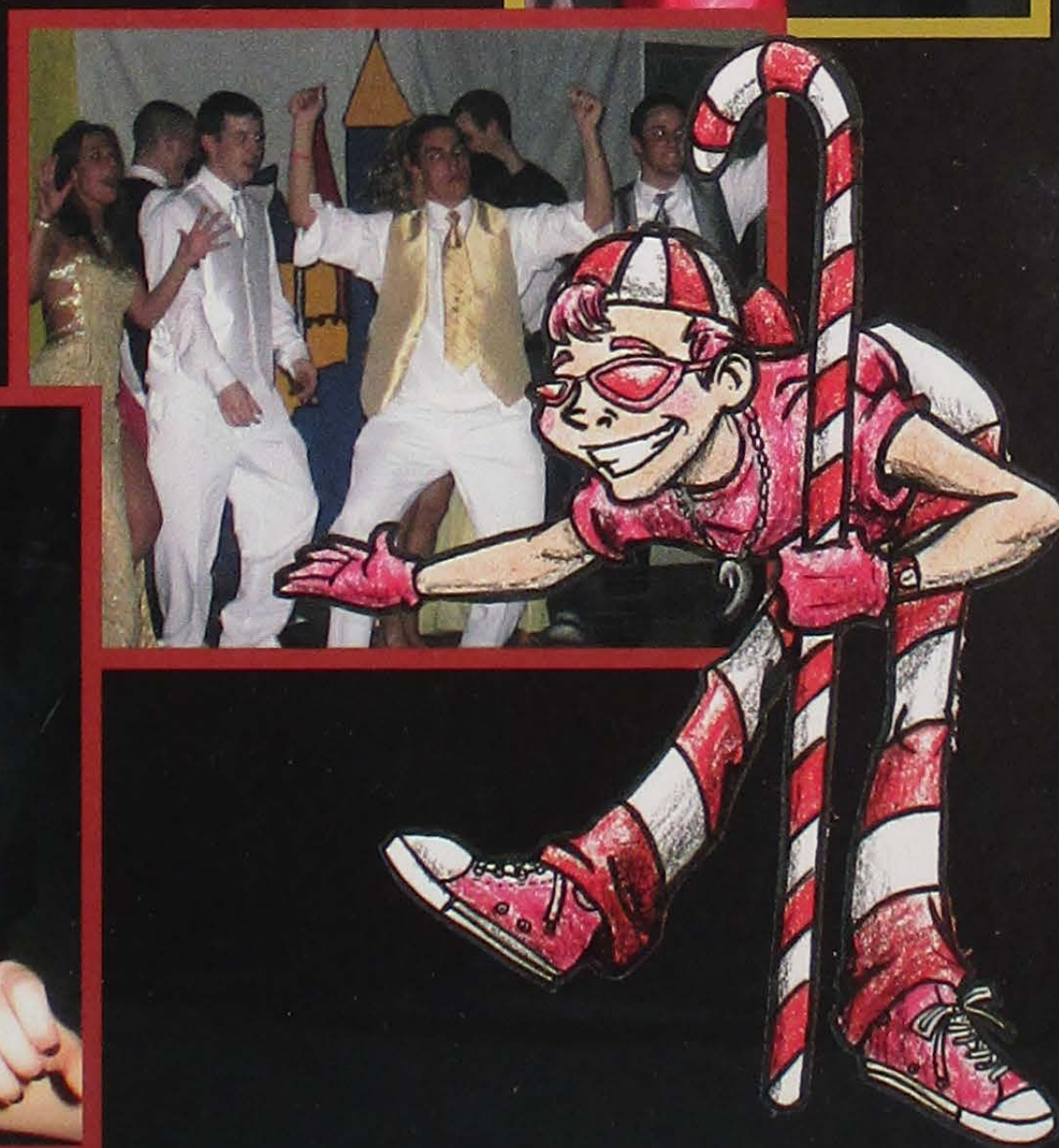
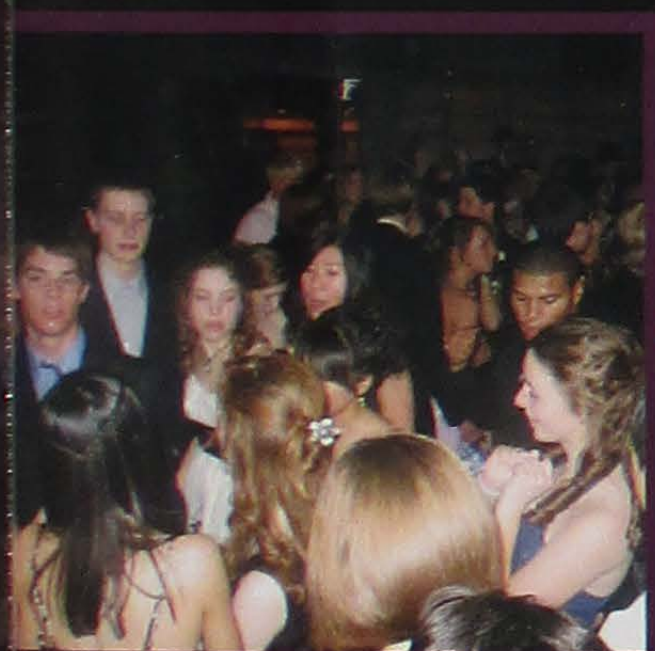
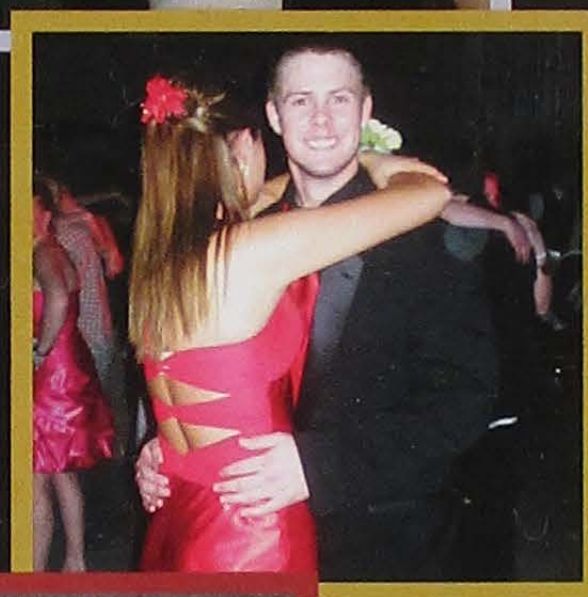
WINTER FORMAL

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Winter Formal: A Sweet Night
 In the midst of what can only be described as a brutal winter, students were ready for a break. It came in the form of Winter Formal this year. Students had the whole week to get into the mood as they watched the school become transformed into a sweet sanctuary from the distractions of life and school. While some students chose to stay home and throw alternative parties, the majority of the school showed up and danced the night away.



MARCH



Don't Burst My Bubble- Creating beautiful soapy creations, junior **Matt Spain** kills some time in the parking lot after school. (photo courtesy of Victoria Harding)

The Bear Necessities- Standing at attention, juniors **Sarah Loucks** and **Alesha Smith** admire the sights and sounds of a cold morning in March. (photo courtesy of Victoria Harding)

With cold weather, persistent snow, and thoughts of Spring Break in students' minds, many find it difficult to make time to really buckle down and study. Luckily, most students are able to scrape together some semblance of study habits and make it to that long-awaited third week in March. After that, the thought of school is all but wiped from our minds and we enter the blissful week that is Spring Break. With trips to Florida, Wisconsin, Kentucky, Dubuque, and even various parts of Europe, students find much needed reprise from the drudgery of school. Usually at this time of year, a group of students are on a plane 27,350 feet in the air traveling to Spain. That was not the case this year due to unfortunate timing. Once Spring Break has come to an end, students must get back into their usual routine of waking up way too early and heading off to yet another day of school.

Locked and Loaded- Splattered with color and ready to take on another canvas, sophomore **Lauren Bonett** takes aim with a bottle of yellow paint. (photo courtesy of Victoria Harding)



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I am the Walrus - Imitating her favorite tusked marine mammal, senior **Magon Liu** enjoys the taste of some nice healthy carrots. (photo by Anne Today)

Four's Company - Indulging in some fine baked goods, freshmen **Kimberly Garasky, Kate Dobson, Malcom Squire,** and **Whitney Manhart** brave the cold March weather in hopes of having a good ol' fashioned picnic. (photo courtesy of Victoria Harding)

Beauty Isn't Easy - Applying one more layer of mascara, junior **Kelly Grogg** proves it is not easy being a girl. (photo courtesy of Victoria Harding)

Dream Time - Performing a social experiment, junior **Victoria Harding** becomes one with the people of the street. (photo courtesy of Lauren Bonett)

Stars In Our Eyes - Hanging above the main hallway, a vast array of multi-colored stars placed by DECA reminds students that everyone is a star. (photo by Daniel Park)

MARCH STUDENT LIFE



Story By Andy Boyd

Two words: Spring Break. After an especially long and cold winter, everyone was anxious to get away from school, for a much needed break, and maybe even some sunshine. But the promise of spring was more of a tease, with temperatures dropping well below normal. Though many were frustrated, Ames High students once again proved their resourcefulness by finding alternatives to playing outside. Popular alternatives included wall climbing, dance parties, movie marathons, and, of course, video games. Even teachers got in on the action. "Hey, if God didn't want us to play video games, he'd have given us better weather," teacher Chuck Ripley said.

What is your favorite animal?



"A rhino, because their horns are aphrodisiacs" -Ross Covington (Photo by Ben Mackey)



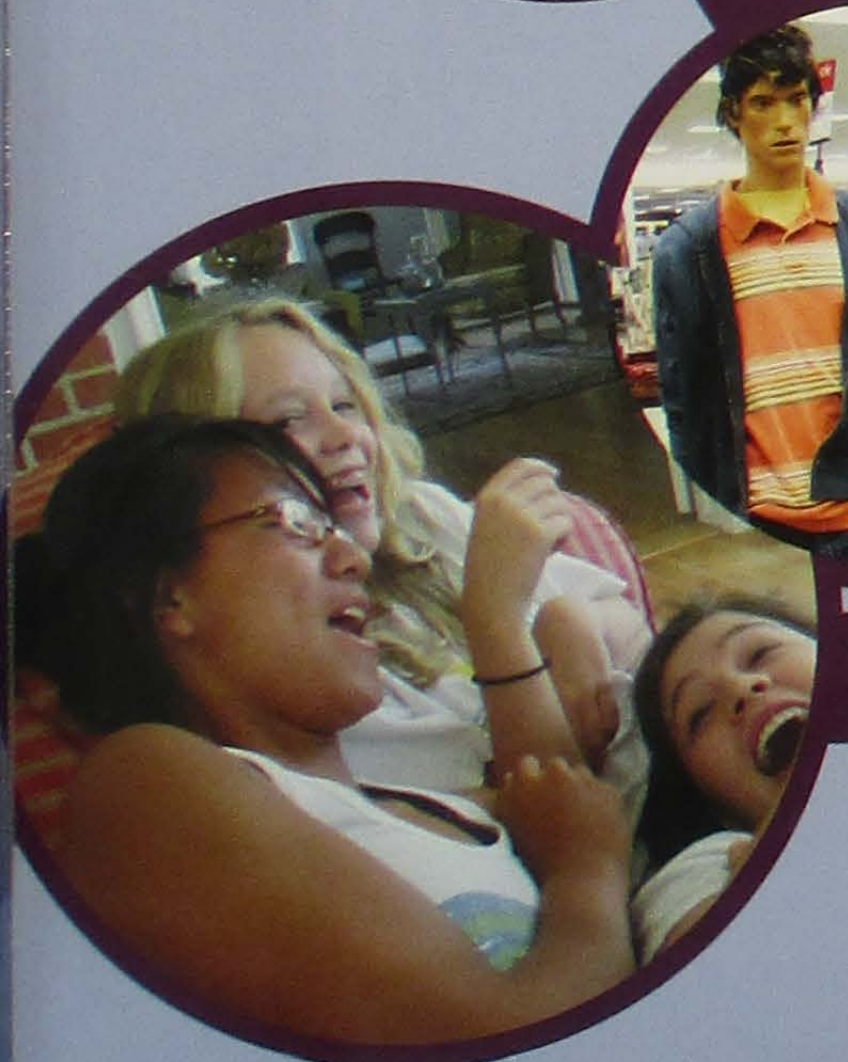
"Dolphins. They're sleek and sexy." - Sam Bird (Photo by Tony Chung)

"Elephants. They are large and in charge." -Caitlin Lawrence (Photo by Daniel Park)



"Dogs. They're friendly but they can also take your head off." -Kevin Arritt (Photo by Ben Nadler)





Picnic Time (finally...)- Enjoying the gorgeous weather, Ames High students picnic outside during lunch. (photo by Daniel Park)

Raising Money- Selling cookies in the front lobby, Destination Imagination members raise money to go to World (photo by Ben Nadler)



April is generally a time to celebrate the start of warm weather with pleasant outdoor activities. This year, however, Old Man Winter overstayed his welcome. The few scattered days of sunshine were greatly appreciated by the students, who took advantage of them by spending copious amounts of time outdoors.

Outdoor activities such as spring sports, picnicking, and biking to school reminded the students that spring was, in fact, on its way. Biking also became more popular this year due to the crazy price hikes at the gas pump. With prices steadily rising toward \$4.00 a gallon, it is not surprising that so many students and faculty were willing to forego the convenience of a car in favor of the practicality of a bicycle.



APRIL

Saving a Life- Donating blood for the Ames High blood drive, Senior **Jennifer Hockett** relaxes knowing her pint will help save someone's life. (photo by Daniel Park)

Noooooooooo!- Hypnotized during after-prom, students cry over the death of Bambi's mom. (photo by Tony Chung)

Recharging- Giving food and water to students who donated blood, Seniors **Martha Garasky** and **Julie Fullhart** chat with donators about the experience. (photo by Daniel Park)

Musical Interlude- Singing with his band Prism Schism, Senior **Jacob Canfield** entertains students on their lunch break with songs about Vampires. (photo by Laurel Scott)

Mood Setting- Setting up for after-prom, juniors **Ellie Weiss** and **Taylor Slotter** help make the gym suitable for a night at the Boardwalk. (photo by Tony Chung)

Entertaining- Playing his Cello, junior **Yale Park** performs during the Coffee House. (photo by Laurel Scott)

Biking at leisure- Getting ready to ride their tandem, Seniors **Brendan Best** and **Aubrey James** help keep the environment clean during green week. (photo by Daniel Park)

APRIL STUDENT LIFE



Story By Andy Boyd

April is the first chance in the year that students have to enjoy being outside. Warmth begins to linger in the air and clothes begin to get smaller and more comfortable. In April, many students make their way to the gym to donate their blood. April is also the beginning of the soccer season, which gives many students an outlet into which they can pour their energy and emotion. Although April is usually a very rainy month, the end comes around very quickly, and the sun soon comes out.

What's the funniest thing a monkey could do?

"Fling poo." -Jamiso DiSalvo (Photo by Ben Nadler)



"Devolve into a human." -Josh Brown (Photo by Ben Nadler)

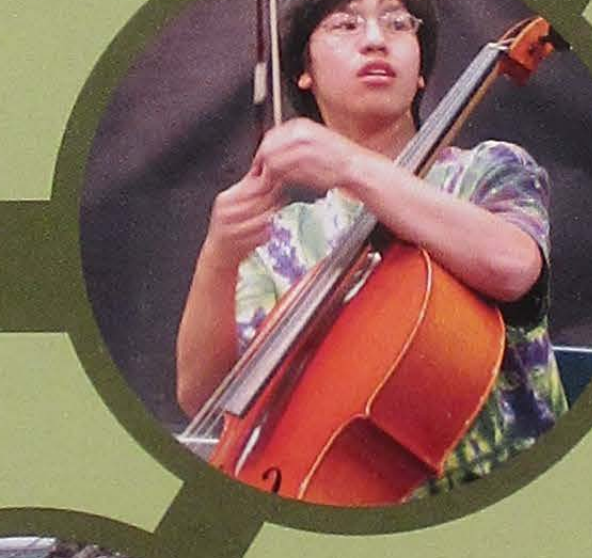


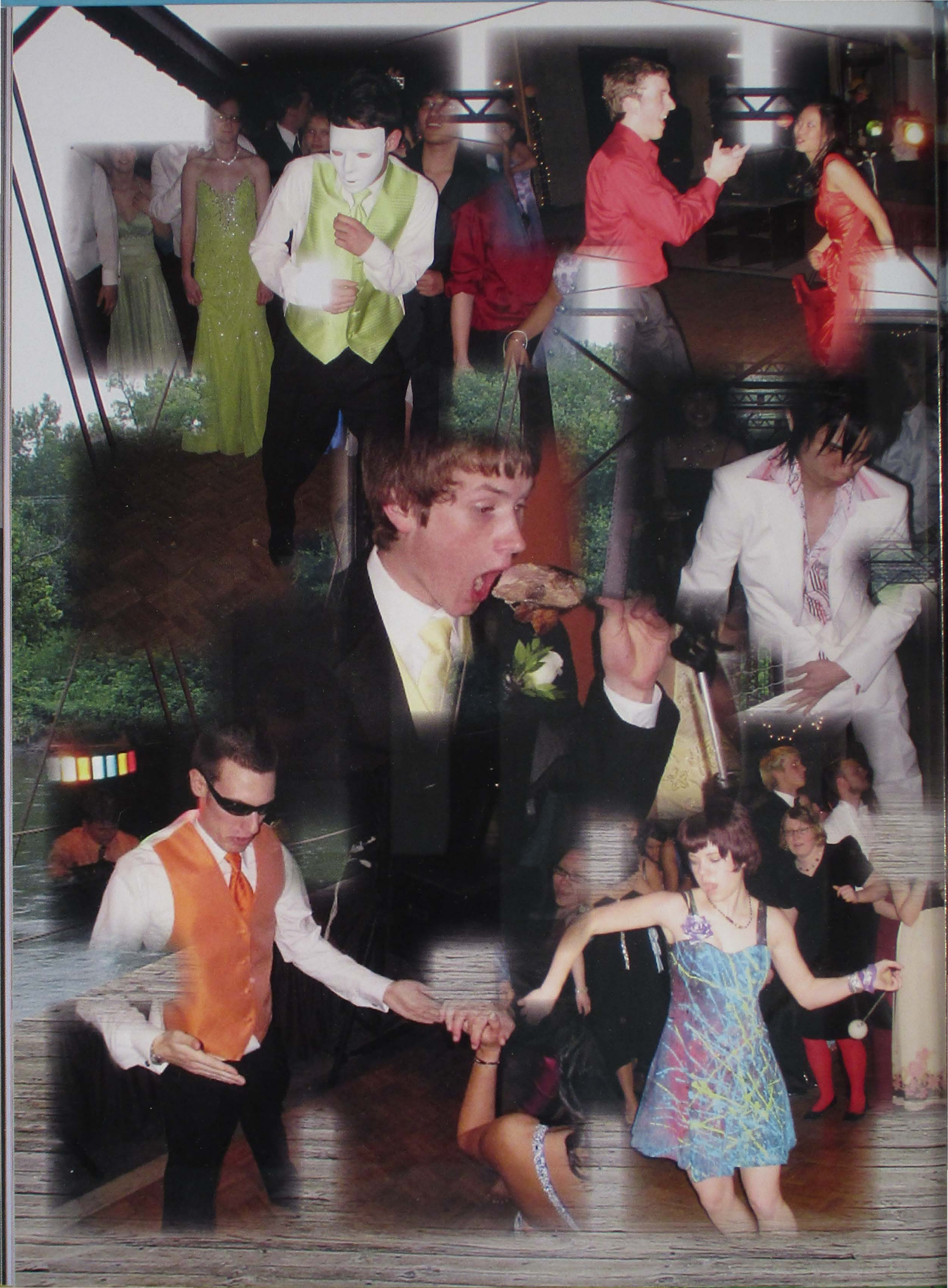
"Drive a motorcycle through a ring of fire." -Shanna Wells (Photo by Ben Nadler)



"Have a fist fight with George Bush." -Meredith Anselman (Photo by Ben Nadler)







Prom

One of the most highly anticipated events each year is prom. Even the name sparks a mix of

awe, joy, and fear into the hearts of every high schooler. Who will I go with? What will I wear?

Where will we eat? The details are part of the joy for girls - who stereotypically get an excuse

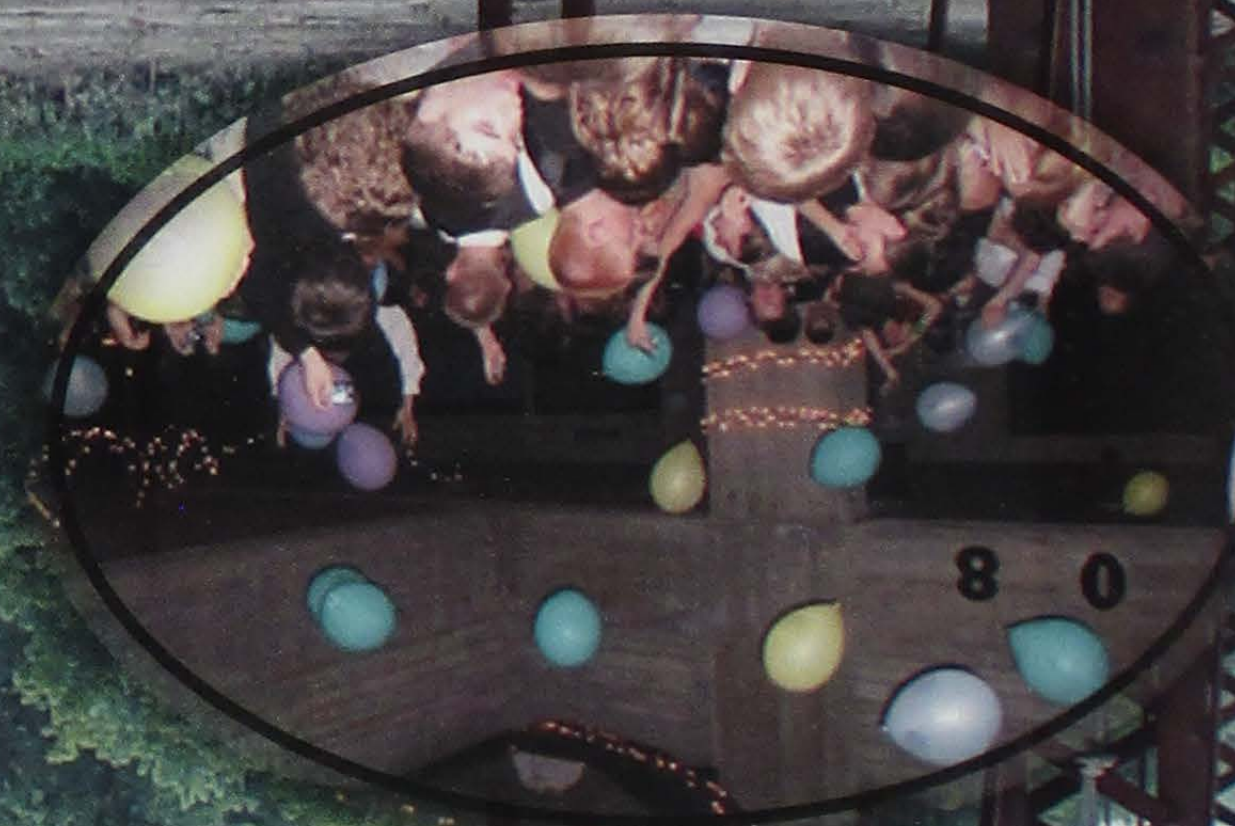
to talk endlessly about shoes and dresses - and part of the misery for boys - who are forced to do things like plan ahead, match clothes, and spend money. What you end up with, however, is a night

to remember. This year was no exception. While there were the usual complaints about the DJ and the heat, everyone who tried to have a good time, did.

As popular as prom is, there are some who get even more excited about post prom. This giant party is sponsored by parents and is free to attending students. Door prizes are impressively lavish and it is guaranteed that everyone walks away a winner. Between the poker tables, the food, and, of course, the hypnotist, the night was a rousing success.



Jump for Joy - Jumping for joy, the volunteers for the hypnotist show do one last stunt before regaining consciousness (photo by Tony Chung)



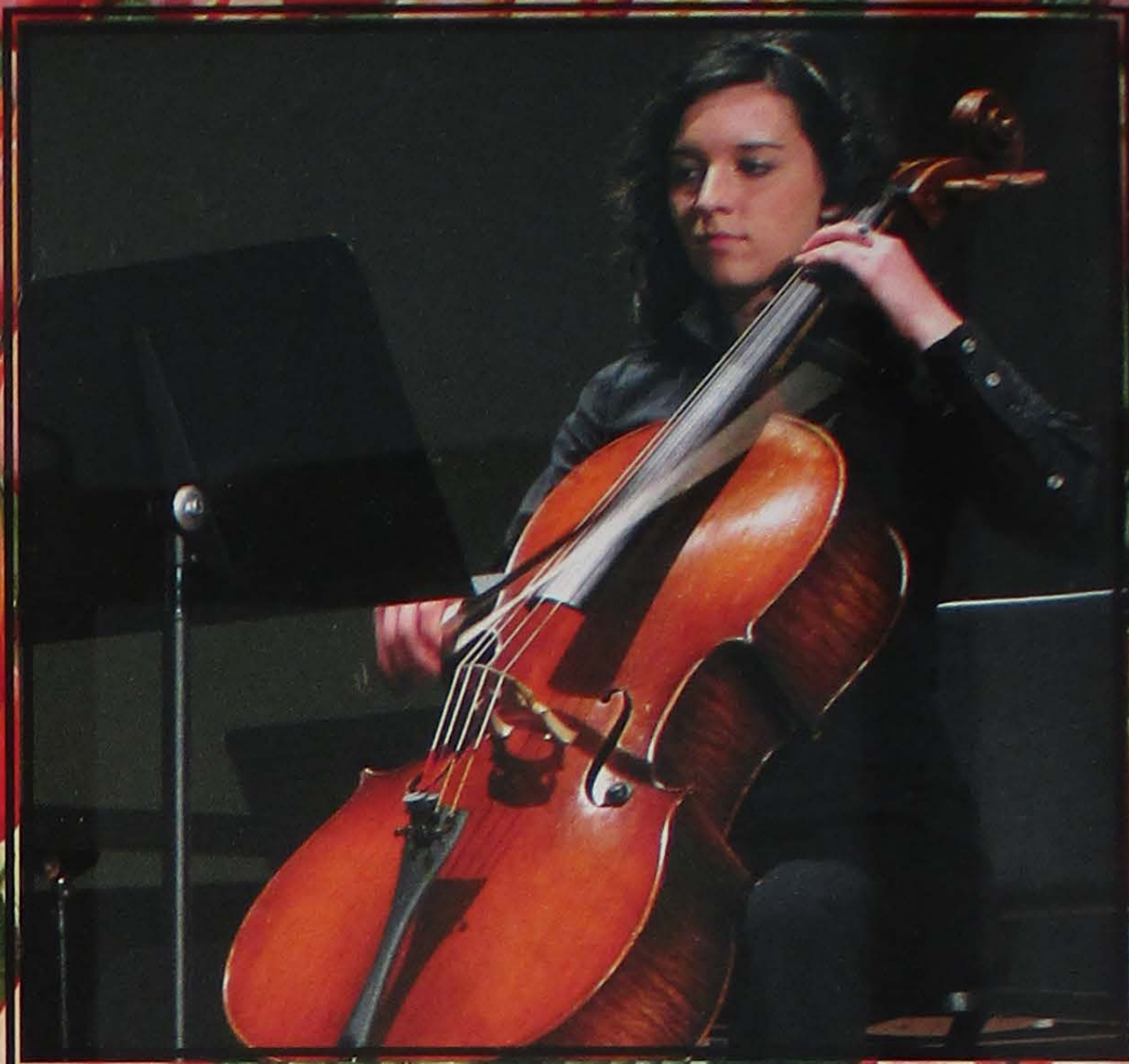
Dance the Night Away - Celebrating the end of the dance, students leap at the balloons. The dance was followed by activities at post prom, which was located in the high school. (photo by Tony Chung)



Is Anyone There? - Answering his phone, senior Clark Ennis receives an imaginary call while hypnotized during the hypnotist show. Clark was hypnotized while sitting in the audience and was later pulled on stage. (photo by Tony Chung)

MAY

In the merry, merry, month of May, one can almost taste the end of school. For freshmen, sophomores, juniors, and seniors alike the prospect of summer looms in everyone's mind. Students finally emerge from their wintery ruts and take full advantage of the lovely warm weather. Whether it's strolling through the park with some roguish stranger or participating in a stimulating game of ultimate frisbee, students everywhere take full advantage of the welcome climatological change. The only dampener on these care-free exploits is the reoccurring thought of finals. Fortunately, most students are able to deal with this unwanted stress and take full advantage of the last real month of school.



Why, Cello There - Giving it all she's got, senior **Kayla Becraft** belts out a powerful solo during Baccalaureate. (photo by Daniel Park)



Dreams of a Better Tomorrow - Looking on in admiration, a group of sophomores, admires the casual grace and unappreciated beauty of the senior class of which they will one day to be a part. (photo by Laurel Scott)



Blackbird Singing - Giving a soulful performance, senior **Kimberly Staniforth** provides a heartfelt goodbye to the senior class. (photo by Daniel Park)

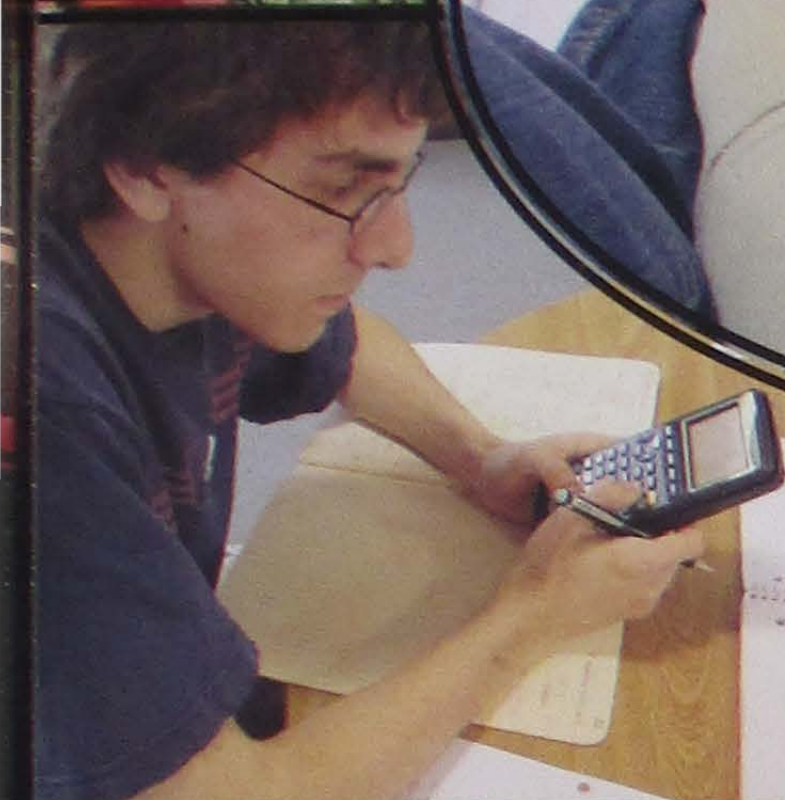


Just Five More Minutes - Resting her head in the media center, senior **Michelle Buseman** dreams of the upcoming summer. (photo by Laurel Scott)

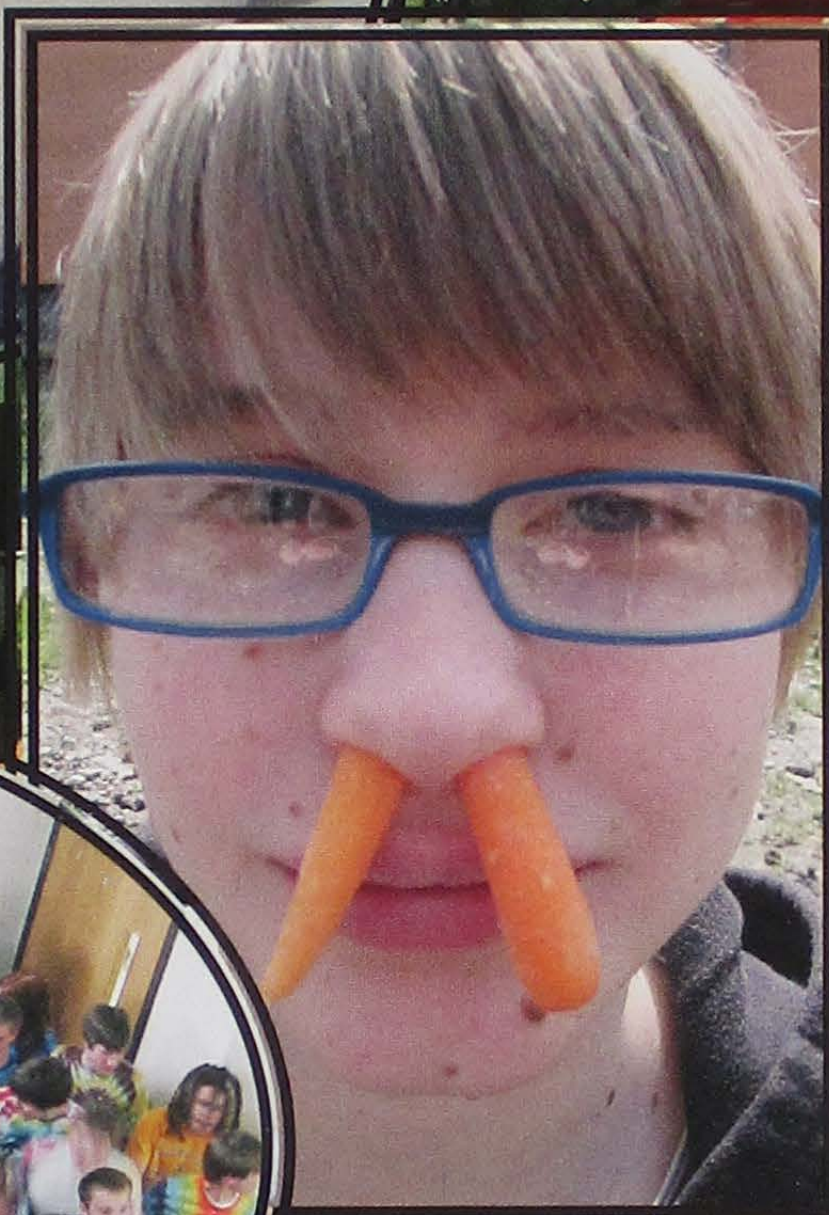


This is Good - Providing insight on the complexities of life, senior **Michael Mastellar** reflects on all he learned from Mr. Daddow. (photo by Laurel Scott)

Dancing Queens- Getting their moves back, seniors **Laura Gehl** and **Emily Barclay** have fun at the event they helped to plan. (photo by Daniel Park)

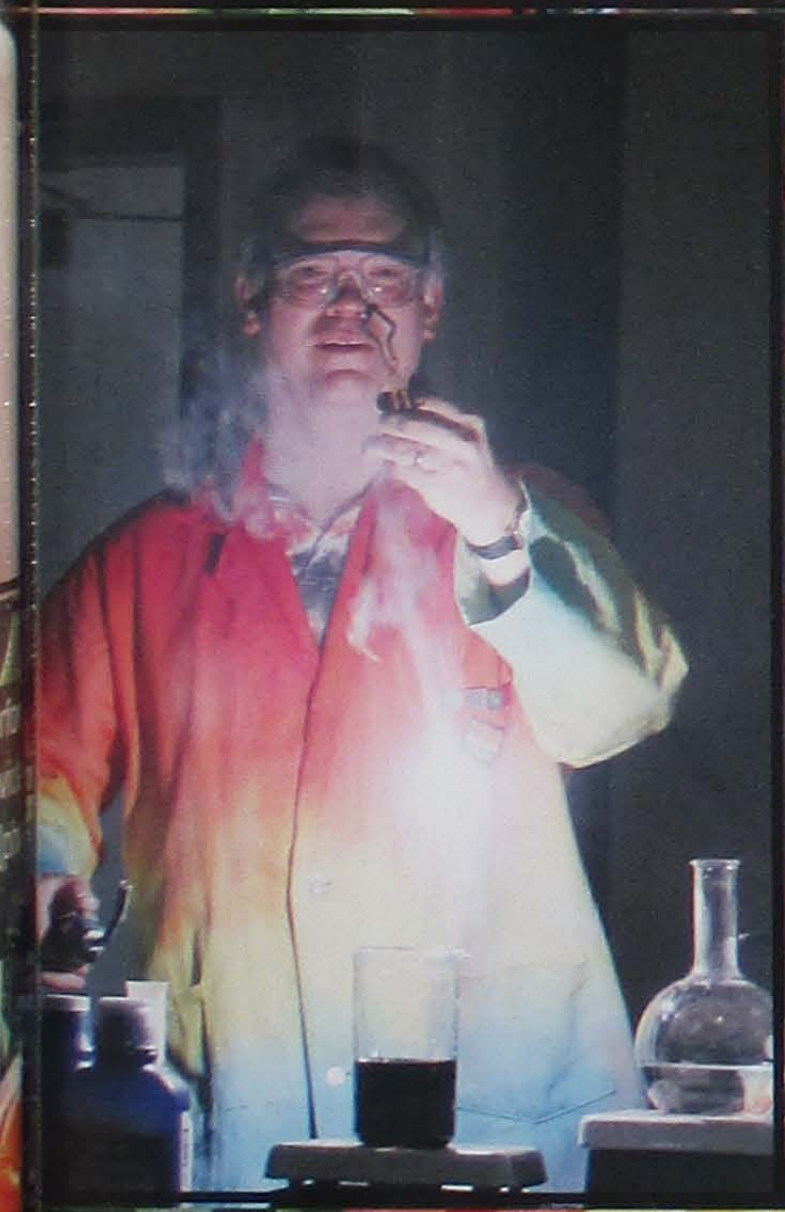


Not Adding Up - Doing his math homework, senior **Mark Russell** prepares for the pre-calc final. (photo by Laurel Scott)



What's Up, Doc?- Eating lunch in the court yard, senior **Hannah Button-Harrison** shows her wackier side. (photo by Laurel Scott)

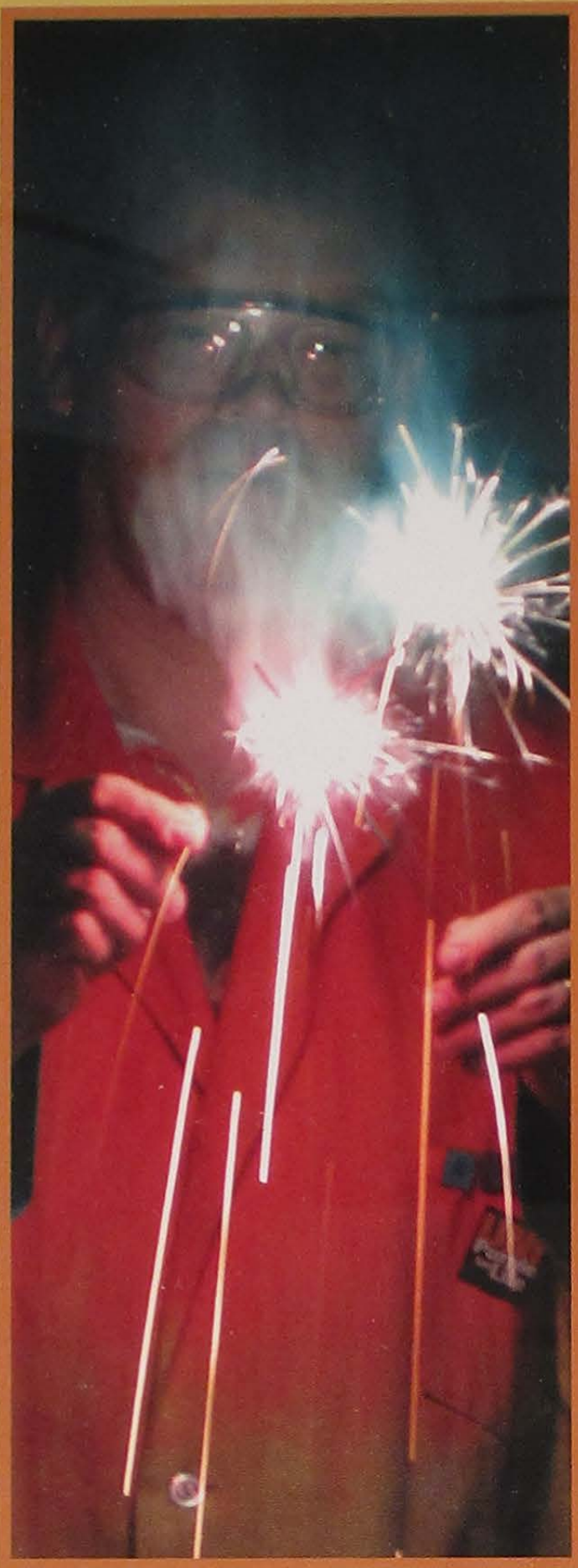
Mr Light, Star Bright - Holding a piece of magnesium, chemistry teacher **Mr. Junck** gives a demonstration. (photo by Daniel Park)



It's The Final Countdown! - Celebrating the last day of school, seniors gather in the back lobby. (photo by Ben Nadler)

House Hopping - Chow-ing down at open houses, seniors **Karl Hamouche** and **Luke Stephensen** sit on the fire truck at Brookside park. (photo by Laurel Scott)





MAY

STUDENT LIFE

Story By Leah Hansen

During the month of May many Ames High students felt nervous for different reasons. The seniors were preparing throughout the month for graduation, which was looming large. Freshmen were starting to worry about their second semester finals. There were many mixed feelings about the seniors leaving a few days earlier than everyone else. Some felt sad about losing friends while others just couldn't wait for seniors to be gone. On the seniors' last day, chemistry teachers Mr. Junk and Mrs. Sullivan had a demo show where they blew up trash cans and lit students' hands on fire. Talk about going out with a bang!



What is the most dangerous animal out there?

"Scorpions, because you never see them coming"
-Steph Keller
(Photo by Tony Chung)



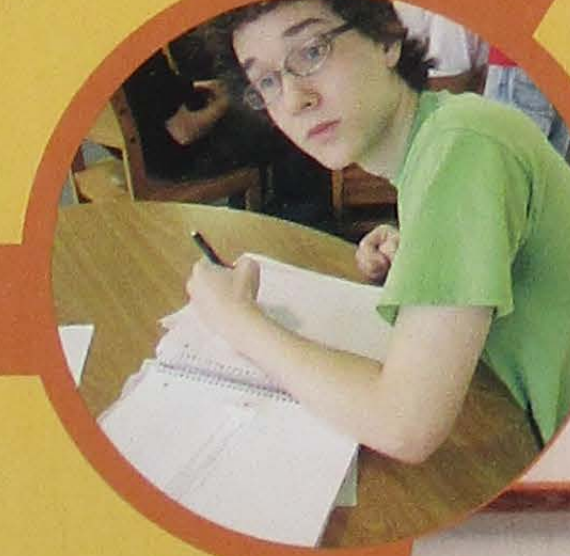
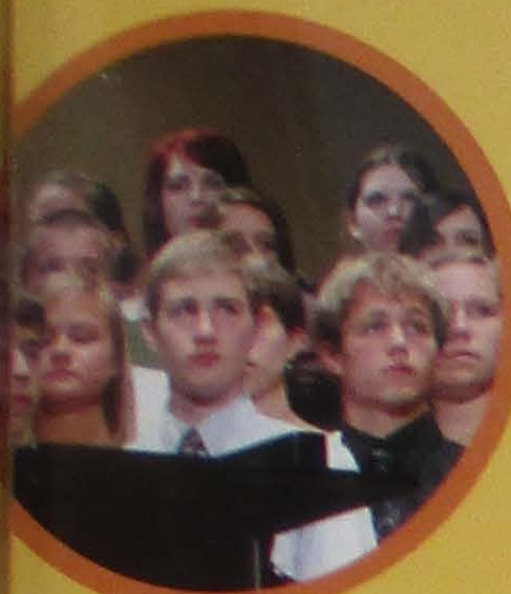
"A camel spider because it will cut open your gut and make your intestines spill out" -Matt Spain
(Photo courtesy of Victoria Harding)



"Easily bears. They will steal your children and eat your honey!" - Steve Stark
(Photo by Tony Chung)



"Chimpanzees. Every one knows they are out to take over the planet" -Malcolm Squire
(Photo by Ben Nadler)





By Laurel Scott

The students twitch nervously, straightening their hats one last time and scanning the stands for a glimpse of family before it all begins -- and ends. "Is everybody here?" Mrs. Diblasi yells as she jogs through the hall of the coliseum just minutes before commencement scheduled to begin. The students nod ruefully and shuffle awkwardly into the coliseum to take their seats.

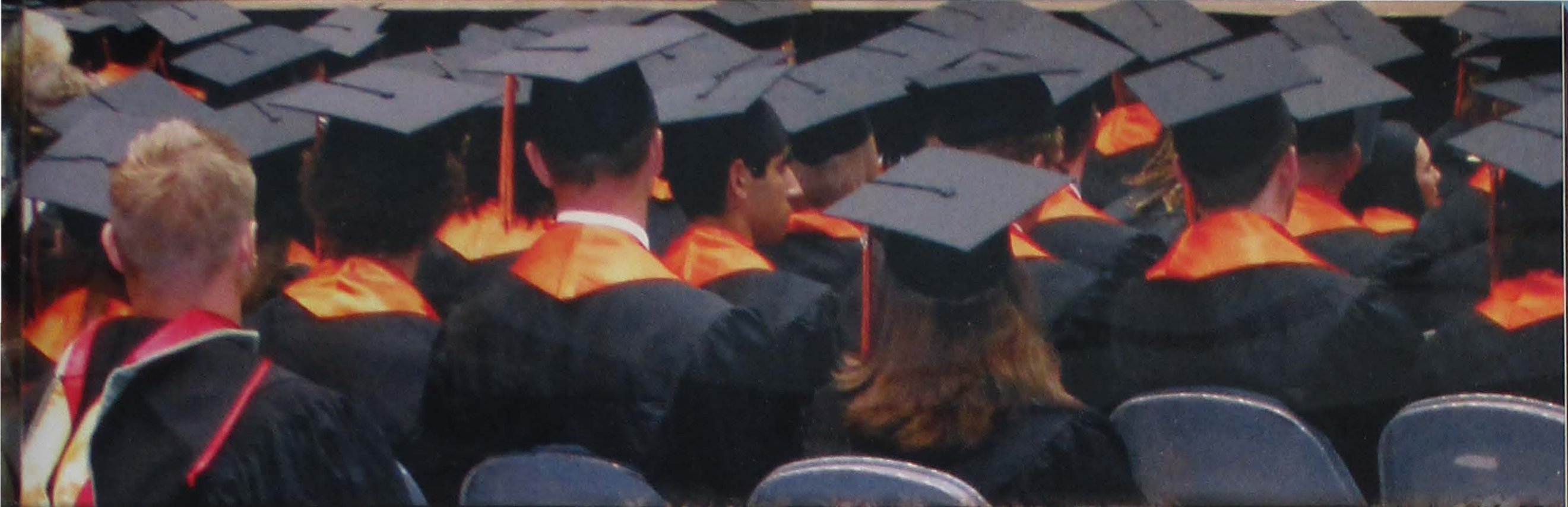
The ceremony seems to take forever. The speeches, though no doubt excellent, fade into a dull white noise that blend perfectly with the hum of the lights and the pounding of the hearts. Finally, the names begin. Students wait to walk across the stage, shake the hand of the man that has been in charge of their education for the last four years and receive a small black diploma holder with nothing in it. Symbolic? The proudest moment of their lives. So far.

After the ceremony is over and the balloons have settled, students will find their parents, be hugged and photographed, and go home to eat some store-bought cake with friends and relatives. They will laze around and do absolutely nothing as they try to convince themselves they're ready for what lies ahead. And they are.

Tassel Time- Changing their tassels, seniors **Sam Bird** and **Daniel Park**, lead the rest of the 2008 graduating class in the traditional changing of the tassels ceremony. (photo by Ben Nadler)

A Walk to Remember- Receiving her flower, senior **Kayla Becraft** smiles. She is now an Ames High graduate. Senior **Chris Elsenbast** is preparing to cross the stage. He looks on in anticipation, waiting to receive the small black diploma holder. (photos by Ben Nadler)

It's That Kind of Feeling- Having received her flower already, senior **Madi Cummings** celebrates and waves to family and friends. (photo by Ben Nadler)



Wait Your Turn- Standing in line, seniors from Mrs. Seibert's homeroom wait their turn to cross the stage. Other seniors sit watching, having already completed their 15 seconds of fame.
(photos by Ben Nadler)



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Marching Band

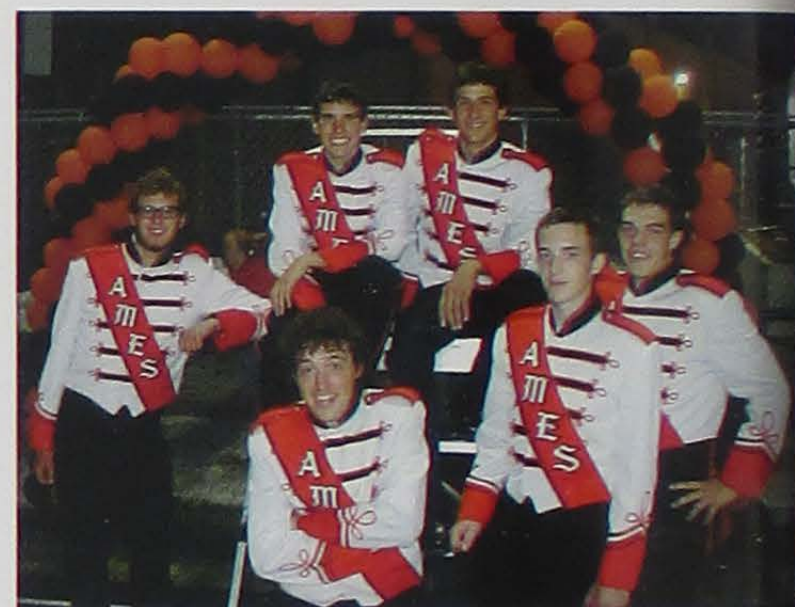


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Drumline

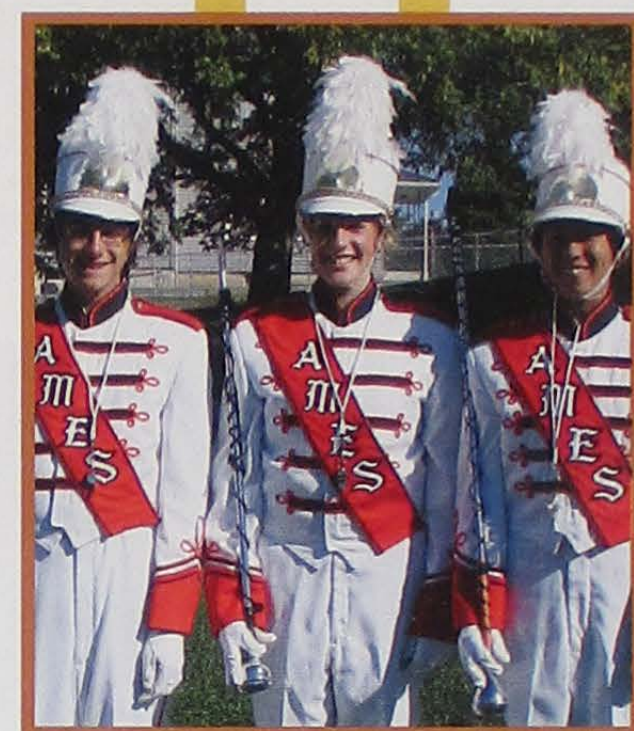


Row 1 - Josh Larson-Konar, Kevin Raab, Nick Schroeder, Row 2 - Rachel Voit, Anna Kaspar, Daniel Berg, Bekah Miller, Ben Nadler, Sarah Koehler, Shanna Wells, Anson Woodin, Row 3 - Anna Hansen, Scott Macdonald, Justin Weber, Ross Covington, Tom Gehring, Madison Prueger, Matt Skarshaug, Ryan Tucker, Matt Hoffman, Malcolm Squire, Zach Clipsham, Row 4 - Eric Danielson, Colin Peterson, Jon Cowan, Chas Emmerson, Kristopher Stow, Abe Nelson





Rock the vote - Having achieved the band's annual goal of stacking the homecoming court, all six representatives enjoy a quick photo-op. (photo courtesy of Chris Ewan)



O Captain, My Captains- Preparing for a grueling season of robots and missions, the Drum Majors, junior **Zach Liechty**, and seniors **Magon Liu** and **Anne Today**, stand at rapt attention. (photo courtesy of LuAnn Ewan)



Little Drummer Boy - Sweating after an exhausting day at band camp, lead snare senior **Kevin Raab** awaits instruction staying in the set position. (photo courtesy of LuAnn Ewan)

Pep Band



Row 1 - K. Williams, M. Dickson, T. Burnside, C. Lawrence, S. Holtman, K. Kaufman, S. Botine, M. Stabel, C. Bagnall, K. Wallace. Row 2 - M. Garasky, E. Bjorklund, S. Graveline, L. Schwab, D. Heimisdottir, C. Calhoun, L. Jones, S. Ho, S. Flickinger, L. Wyckoff. Row 3 - K. Simpkins, C. Anderson, S. Pierce, H. Sundberg, A. Todey, M. Liu, G. Tesdall, J. Joerger, E. Heikens. Row 4 - M. Skarshaug, S. Sawyer, S. Pearson, M. Misra, E. Downard, Z. Heilman, S. Fritzell, H. Vollbrecht, L. Smith, K. Baldridge. Row 5 - C. Luecke, S. Botine, A. Rohlf, M. Saxton, T. Miller, K. Raab, M. Gilarski, N. Davis, M. Masteller.



Tooty Fluties - Releasing a burst of beautiful music, sophomore **Stephanie Holtman** toots her flute. (photo by Ben Nadler)



Bassamahbob - Keeping a steady tonal backdrop, junior **Laurel Smith** lays down a bass line. (photo by Ben Nadler)



T-bone - Playing her trombone, junior **Caitlin Lawrence** enriches the sound of the pep band. (photo by Ben Nadler)



Tense Lips - Perfecting her embraisure, junior **Lauren Schwab** prepares for an upcoming performance. (photo by Ben Nadler)



Jazz I



Row 1 - H. Button-Harrison, W. Miller, P. Jahren, S. Botine, C. Luecke, D. Heimisdottir. Row 2 - R. Wolt, K. Raab, N. Davis, J. Joerger, M. Masteller, S. Fritzell, L. Wyckoff, B. King. Row 3 - A. Tanaka, L. Schwab, D. Jahren, I. Herrman, M. Gilarski.

Jazz II



Row 1 - S. Holtman, K. Strickland, B. Friederich, B. Bjorklund, A. Wengert. Row 2 - M. Skarshaug, S. MacDonald, E. Hart, K. Stasko, S. Botine. Row 3 - T. Gassman, S. Primmer, S. Flickinger, T. Burnside, G. Tesdall.



Smooth Jam - Caressing the neck of his guitar, sophomore **Ben King** gives birth to a stylish jazz solo. (photo courtesy of Chris Ewan)



Saxy Time - Emitting beautiful streams of volatile jazz, junior **Spencer Botine** plays his saxophone as a member of the Ames High jazz band. (photo courtesy of Chris Ewan)



Roaring Jazz - Keeping character, the Ames High Jazz Band appears at the Gatsby Party as a 1920s swing ensemble. (photo courtesy of Chris Ewan)

Freshmen



Row 1 - Meredith Stabel, Sadie Botine, Jacqueline Nowers, Nichole Nigh, Amy Balvanz, Moriah Harris, Mary Ommaid, Kim Richards Row 2 - Rachel Paxton, Peter Yin, Tobias Gassman, Adam Hofer, Ed Kraus, Anna Joerger, Nikki Williams, Liz Kaloupek, Erica Anderson Row 3 - Megan VanPelt, Anna Hansen, Indyc Allfree, Luke Davis, Justin Masteller, Timothy Fernando, Eden Marek, Mariah Crotty Row 4 - Scott MacDonald, Adam Lane, Joe Linduska, Bryan Bjorklund, Justin Weber, Ben Jurenka, Genna Tesdall, Taylor Ring, Lindsey Shanks Row 5 - Morgan Dunn, Samuel Primmer, Eric Smith, Breanna Schoenrock, Amber Duden, Brandon Friederich, Madison Prueger, Kelly Heikens, Kimberly Garasky, Charles Long Row 6 - Hanna Vollbrecht, Kristin Upah, Chas Emmerson, Nathan Hansen, Brian Dobbe, David Lee, Atli Hemmison, Kevin Stasko, Pierce Hanway, Joseph May, Colin Peterson Row 7 - Ethan McCallum, Kris Stow, Alec Kapaun, Malcom Squire, Tom Gehring, Hunter Peterson, Ezra Hart, Jeffrey Bright, Elliot Russell, Stephen Today, Dylan Larson-Konar, James Chidister

Sophomores

Band

Row 1 - Katie Wallace, Casey Bagnall, Shauna DuCharme, Evelyn Chen, Bryanna Behning, Tashara Burnside, Samantha Flickinger, Stephanie Holtman, Irina Popova Row 2 - Lauren Kawaler, Lindsey Wyckoff, Alex Adams, Zoe Russell, Nichole Allen, Esin Unal, Michael Hall, Kira Boswell, Allee Wengert, Kim Anderson Row 3 - Katelyn Adams, Megan Kroeger, Devan Bailey, Mackenzie Dickson, Rachel Voit, Michelle Millage, Rebekah Miller, Alex Miller, Gerri Jaeschke Row 4 - Hannah Sundberg, Stella Fritzell, Allison Tim, Anna Baumgartner, Sophie Pierce, Kali Short, Michelle Gibson, RaeAnna Rekemeyer, Jon Hagen, Sam Gibson, Row 5 - Spencer Babcock, David Shirbroun, Peter Dixon, Eric Danielsen, Joey Greene, Kavin Kanthasamy, Matt Carter, Aaron Schill, Max Peterson Row 6 - Andrew Moore, Stephen Pearson, Ryan Riley, Alex Askew, Jacob Hoefer, Anna Kaspar, Eric Terry, Emily Downard Row 7 - Jonathan Beavers, Harrison Barnes, Daniel Berg, Ryan Tucker, Jonathan Kaiser, Robin Honeyman



Juniors



Row 1 - Megan Paxton, Galadriel Comito, Sarah Israel, Patrick Jahern, Daniel Jahern, Alyssa Frandsen, Emma Welch, Alesha Smith, Caitlin Lawrence Row 2 - Tiffani Pilcher, Anna Frishman, Spencer Botine, Karrissa Allyn, Hannah Finke, Rachel Shaw, Michael Misra, Brandon Trytek, Ross Covington Row 3 - Zach Heilman, Matt Skarshaug, John Cowan, Ben Nadler, Anson Woodin, Steve Sawyer, Isaac Strohman, Shanna Wells, Katie Williams Row 4 - Victoria Harding, Julia Reynolds, Kristin Gaffney, Emily Boydston, Ellen Heikens, Mary Woeste, Abby Johnson, Nathan Snell, Matt Lee Row 5 - Dustin Ziminski, Matt Saxton, Jessica Nehls, Melissa Huisman, Alec Knight, Tony Koford, Ian Herrman, Anna Hagan Row 6 - Abe Nelson, Matt Hoffman, Zach Clipsham, Stefan Breittling-Garlington, Andrew Rohlf, Dex O'Hara



A color photograph of a person in a white marching band uniform with red accents, standing on a metal stand and conducting with batons. The background shows a large, brightly lit crowd at night.

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Seniors



Row 1 - Katie Orazem, Magon Liu, Alex Squire, Anda Tanaka, Kayla Ranney, Anna Todey Row 2 - Leigh Howell, Kyle Johnson, Rachel Hasselman, Nich Schroeder Row 3 - Patrick Snell, Taryn Tigges, Hannah Button, Harrison Row 4 - Michael Masteller, Erik Bjorklund, Rachel Miller, Kelsey Kaufman, Sam Van Fleet, David Hickock Row 5 - Sara Graveline, Dagny Heimisdottir, Courtney Calhoun, Lauren Jones, Shing Shing Ho Row 6 - Martha Garasky, Alicia Rau, Kaitlyn Baldridge, Kelsey Simpkins, Caitlin Anderson Row 7 - Nathan Davis, Lindsey Niehm, Clare Kohler, Frances Xin, Eric Miller Row 8 - Zach Wayne, Zach Hurd, Drew Schlosser, Daniel Park, Doug Warren Row 9 - Conrad Luecke, Mark Gilarski, Victor Crnkovic, Josh Larson-Konar, Kevin Raab Row 10 - Sam Bird, Wyatt Miller

Band

SCIBA Honor Band- One of the great ways students can be recognized in band is to be selected for the South Central Iowa Bandmasters Association Honor Band. Auditions were held on Thursday, November 29 at Des Moines Roosevelt. The students selected performed on Saturday, January 5 with Dr. Elizabeth Kirt Saville conducting. The high number of American students selected is a very telling testament to the level of talent at the high school, but also to the level of instruction they receive from our band teachers. The school has fought hard to maintain the music program through the budget cuts of the last five years or so, and that commitment is reaping huge rewards.



All-State- Perhaps the most prestigious recognition a band student can receive is earning a spot at the All-State performance. This year, 6 students were selected. Congratulations to these students whose commitment to excellence resulted in this recognition for themselves and for the school. This year's All-State musicians are:



Spencer Botine



Lauren Jones



Wyatt Miller



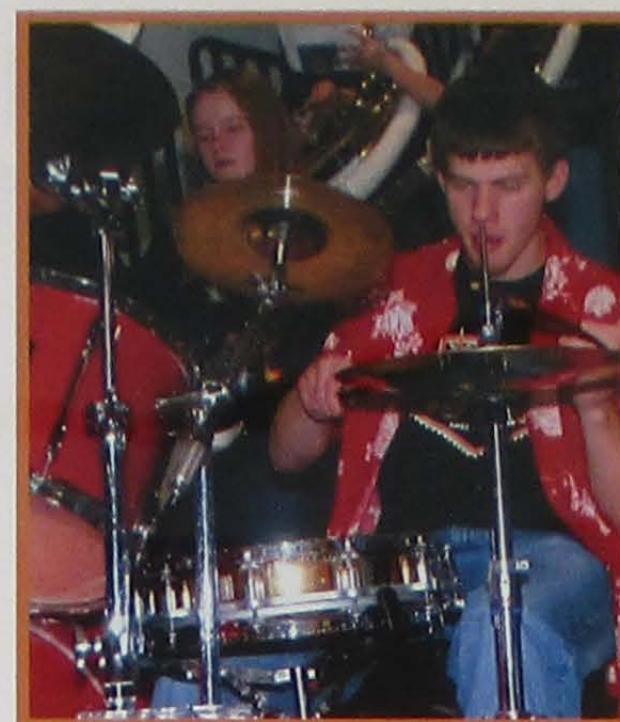
Kevin Raab



Lauren Schwab



Anda Tanaka



Keepin' Time- Setting the pace for the rest of the band, senior **Matt Skarshaug** plays a sweet beat on the drums. (photo courtesy of Mr. Ewan)



Follow Me! - Conducting the pep band, **Mr. Ewan** keeps his players in line and on rhythm. (photo courtesy of Mr. Ewan)



Dance to the Music - Dancing to the music, senior **Kelsey Simpkins** grooves to the melodies of the band. (photo courtesy of Mr. Ewan)

Orchestra

Violins and Harp



Row 1 - Tanya Liu, Tulika Biswas, April Suen, Mona Li, Laurel Tuggle, Anna Meese, Lisa Yoon, Tiffany Pilcher, Clara Keum.
Row 2 - Burak Demirci, Basil Rain, Christina Tringides, Peter Benson, Paizen Ku, Avanthi Ajjarapu, Nick Scallon, Wendy Oh, Willy Wu
Row 3 - Alan Guo, Rachel Hauber, Daniel Park, Evy Amaya, Albert Cho, James Fang, Frances Hindt, Hannah Tuggle, Emily Mullaney, Diane Kraus
Row 4 - Seth Forsgren, Chris Xin, Christian Hurd, Xiaoxi Yang, Michelle Tsai, Mariah Crotty, Chrissy Amaya, Lawrence Chiou

Row 1 - Andrew Barclay, Genna Tesdall, Marian Thompson, Sue Lee, Yeil Park, Kelly Grogg, Lucy Ma, Kayla Becraft, Tommy Fields
Row 2 - Ari Mendoza, Liza Kroeschell, Elizabeth Held, Joe Iverson, Max Tsai, Leslie Moor- man, Diane Wang, David Miller
Row 3 - Alex Canfield, Natalie Deam, Jose Molina, Eric Sung, Faisal Luvaga, Aaron Ackerman, Tajia Moertle
Row 4 - Devin Becraft, Marc Heitzman, James Kohler, Asher Bgdanove

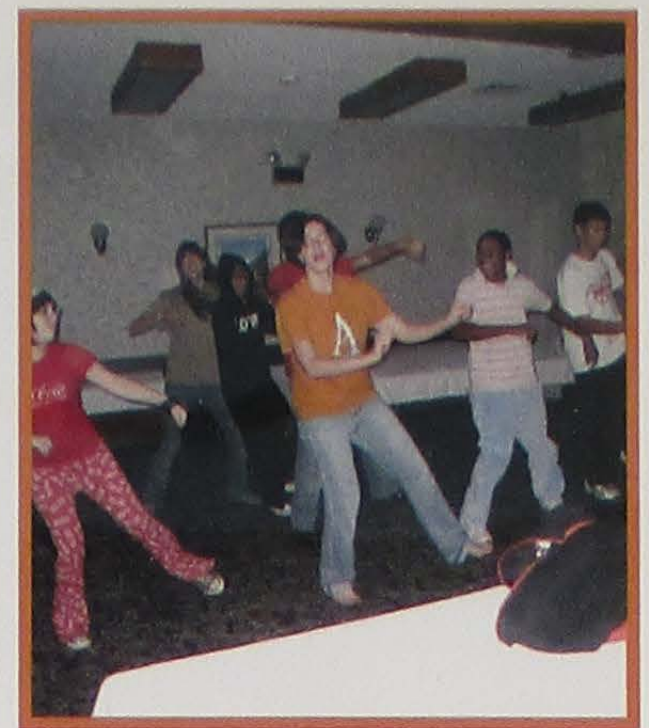


Viola, Cello, Bass

Winds



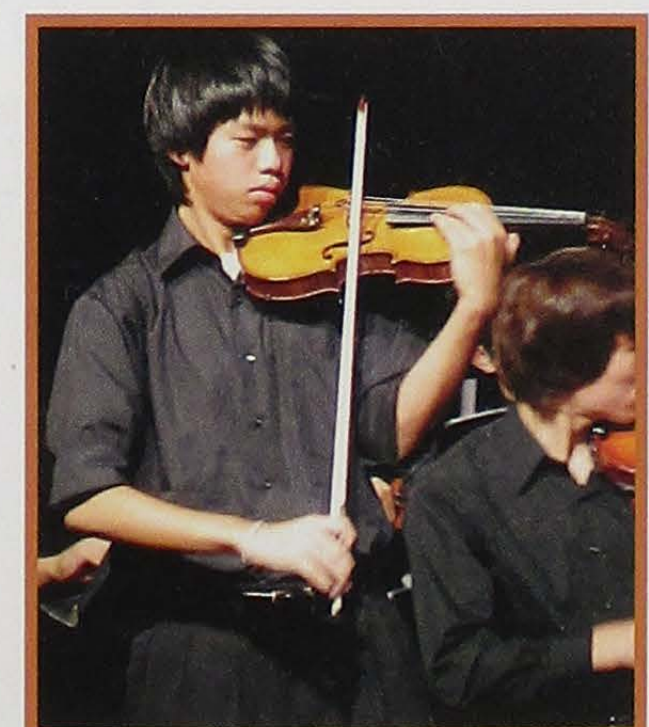
Row 1 - Victoria Harding, Emily Boydston, Jessica Nehls, Lauren Jones, Tanya Liu, Shing Shing Ho
Row 2 - Erica Bjorklund, Zach Heilman, Kelsey Simpkins, Caitlin Anderson, Sandy Huang, David Shirbroun
Row 3 - Sam Bird, Stefan Breitling, Jill Joerger, Lauren Schwab, Kelsey Kaufman, Anda Tanaka
Row 4 - Matt Skarshaug, Anson Woodin, Joshua Larson-Konar, Shanna Wells, Ben Nadler, TJ Miller



Krank Dat - Taking advantage of some free time, students hold a dance party on the Orchestra Tour. (photo courtesy of Burak Demirci)



Three's Company - Blending as one, seniors **Tommy Fields**, **Ray Wolt**, and **Kayla Becraft** concentrate on making beautiful music. (photo courtesy of Cosette Scallon)



Fiddlin' Around - Keeping it cool, senior **Daniel Park** plays a solo with the orchestra during the Fall Concert. (photo by courtesy of Daniel Park)

Freshman Choir



Row 1 - Brooke Schweikert, Lacie Larkin, Kayla Dobson, Sadie Botine, Jacqueline Nowers, Melia Munkvold, Nicole Nigh, Molly Beckett, Amy Balva
Row 2 - Emily Simpson, Ally Bowers, Nickie Williams, Moriah Harris, Peter Benson, Sarah Baker, Andre Ingham, Alyssa Jackson, Anna Hansen, Karla Martin
Row 3 - Jasmine Moertle, Rachel Paxton, Joy Busch, Tim Fernando, Ian Pringle, Karl Anderson, Reagan Turner, Scott MacDonald, Allison Church, Marian Thompson
Row 4 - Emily Foege, Anna Liu, Ali Mueggenberg, Taylor Ring, Loralee Werkmeister, Tierney Rogers, Katy Stafford, Kaitlyn Eilers, Meredith Baldrige, Lucas Peterson
Row 5 - Nate Runyon, Brian Dobbe, Zach Cain, Zach Maric, Tom Gehring, Atli Heimisson, Stephen Today, Jeffrey Bright, Dylan Larson-Konar, James Chidister

Concert Choir

Row 1 - Sage Clements, Becca Vos, Jessica Rowland
Row 2 - Mandy Miller, Taylor Schram, Chloe Iles, Carol Frazier, Erin Weber, Skylar Pattee, Liz Laage, Monica Mwaniki, Megan Kroeger, Deepak Premkumar
Row 3 - Lauren Bonnett, Kelsey Martin, Holly Nguyen, Emma Ravenscroft, Allison Hamilton, Paula Crippen, Hannah Finke, C.J. Cummings, Emma Rathe, Kelli Barrett
Row 4 - Emily Owen, Dawntashia Howell, Kira Seek, Britteny Sink, Joseph Greene, Kuper Bergman, David Hinrichsen, Taylor Rich, Akshay Sanghi, Andrew Mushel
Row 5 - Matt Dearborn, Luuk Dekkers, Karl Grotheer, Ben Schnable, Rob Burke, Alexandra Carls, Tom Nading, Ethan Woodward, Alex Kirstukas, A.J. Giebelstein



Concert Chorale



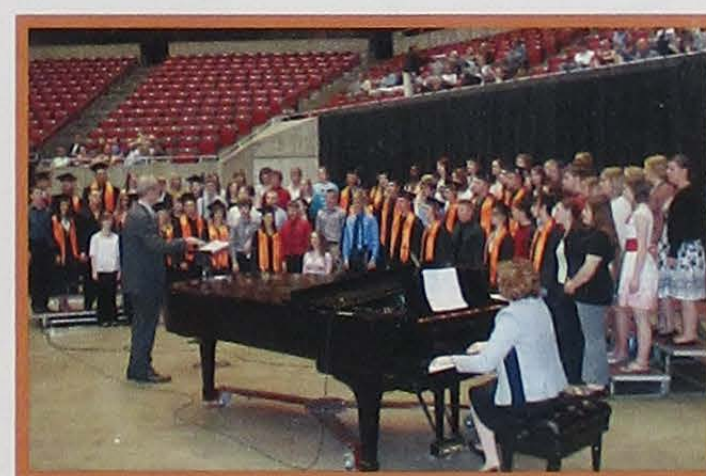
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Row 2 - Katie Wallace, Laura Kim, Kimberly Staniforth, Alesha Smith, Mandy Fair, Kendra Moloney, Amanda Johnson, Sarah Gutowski, Emily Wandling, Robbie Dennis, Aslynn Carriere, Melissa Martin
Row 3 - Annie Spencer, Laurel Smith, Michelle Millage, Annette White, Kaity Brien, Katie Williams, Molly Moore, Kat Uhde, Christian Hurd, Kira Boswell
Row 4 - Spencer Botine, Anne Today, Ben Jones, Laura Gerling, Bekah Miller, Anson Woodin, Kate Fowler, Erinn Uhlmeier, Kinsey Belz, Ben Feller
Row 5 - Hannah VanEvery, Nora Lippolis, Rebecca Schmidt, Rachel Harmon, Melinda Abuhl, Kelsey Simpkins, Kaitlyn Baldrige, Mary Woeste, Zach Heilmann, David Shirbroun
Row 6 - Josh Thompson, Frances Hindt, Seth Forsgren, Derek Accola, Nathaniel Snell, Zach Bridges, Zachariah Hurd, Nathanael Stott, Alex Houghton, Ian Herrman
Row 7 - MaHeitzman, Patrick Snell, Thomas Eslinger, JasKemis, Zeke Musselman, Daniel Brown, Jacob Caffield, Brendan Best, Tom Geske, Luke Haverka



Here's the Beat - Leading the Concert Choir through another inspiring performance, teacher **Mr. Linn** starts another song. (photo by Magon Liu)



Serious Sleeves - Getting lost in the never-ending folds of his sleeves, senior **Zach Hurd** waits for the chorale's entrance. (photo by Daniel Park)



A Last Hoorah - Moving quickly into place, the Concert Chorale prepares to sing "Bridge Over Troubled Waters" at this year's commencement. The song was a fitting one for the occasion and struck a chord with parents and students alike. (photo by Ben Nadler)

Madrigal

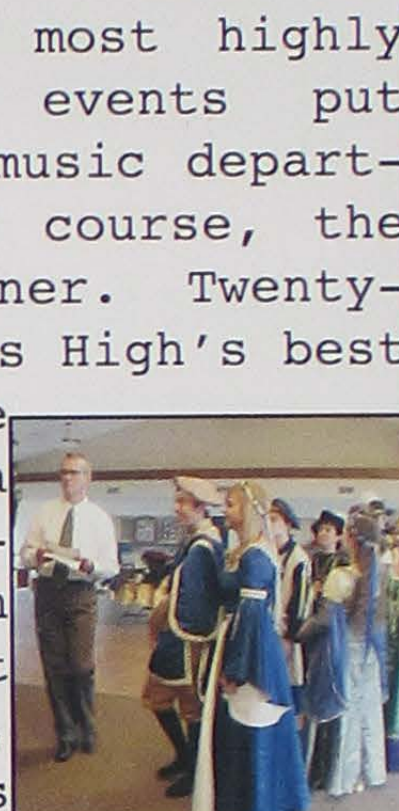


Row 1 - Christian Hurd, Megan Paxton, Ian Herrman, Kelsey Simpkins, Daniel Brown, Hannah Button-Harrison, Marc Heitzman, Anne Todey, David Shirbroun, Bekah Miller, Rex Fernando, Nora Lipopolis, Robbie Dennis, Rachel Paxton Row 2 - Hannah VanEvery, Jeffery Bright, Mary Woeste, Zach Heilman, Kimberly Stanforth, Patrick Snell, Amy Edmondson, Tommy Geske, Anda Tanaka, Nathan Snell, Rachel Harmon, Zach Hurd, Annie Spencer, Thomas Eslinger



One of the most highly anticipated events put on by the music department is, of course, the Madrigal dinner. Twenty-eight of Ames High's best singers come

together to put on a night of music and entertainment. Many hopefuls audition in September, but only the best are chosen. After many weeks of long, rehearsals, the dinner is finally ready for an audience. For three nights, audiences are awed by the enchanting performances of this talented group. At the meal, the guests are entertained by



spectacular entertainment. Nearly 500 are chosen. The early morning rehearsal is finally ready

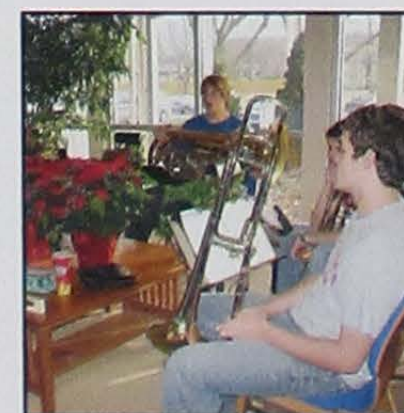


exceptional singing, the court strings and brass, and of course, the royal jester. After a royal welcome and a toast of wassail, the meal begins on an excellent note. While enjoying the wonderful catering, the

be careful while laughing and joking of which tend to embarrass whomever the



guests, must not to choke while laughing at the skittishness to embarrass court feels



like picking on. After finishing off the meal with some tasty plum pudding, it is time for the court to say good night, but only very reluctantly, by everyone.





Inherit the Wind Story excerpted from *Web* writer Will Rundle

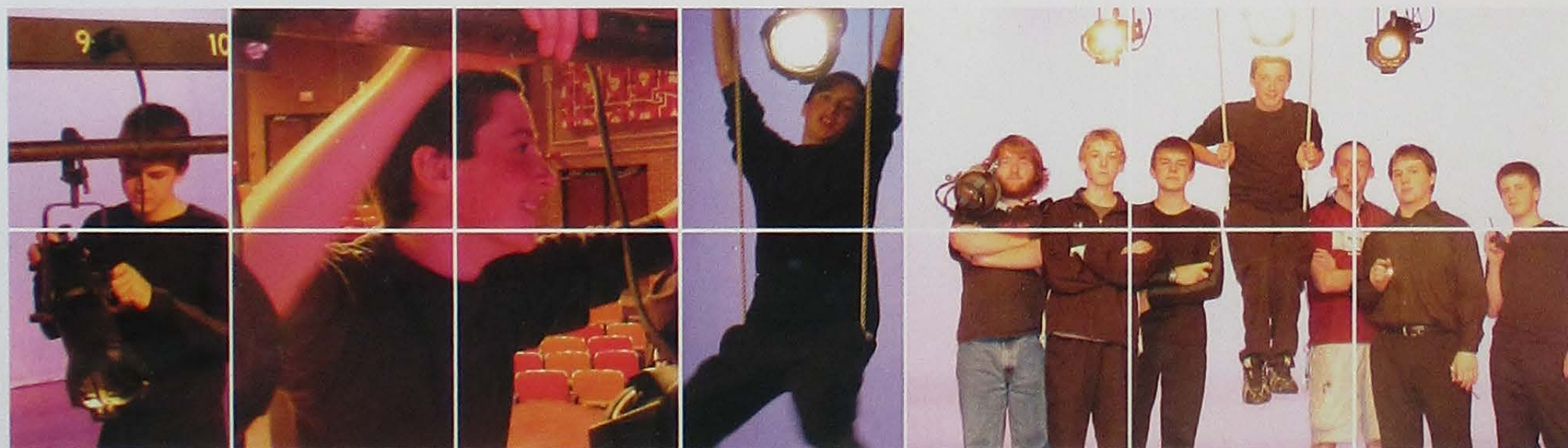
"I...shall...make...me...a man!" So says Reverend Brown during a fiery sermon in this year's fall play *Inherit the Wind*, directed by Brian Parrish. The play is a dramatization of the famous Scopes Monkey Trial, though it was actually intended to criticize McCarthyism and champions freedom of thought and belief.

"One of the reasons I wanted to do this play was that it covers something you've learned about it school -- it's based on actual history, history you know," director Brian Parrish said.

It's important to remember, however, that the play is not a documentary, but a drama. Several details were changed or manipulated to better create universal themes.

The production, with a cast of over 30, was a huge success.

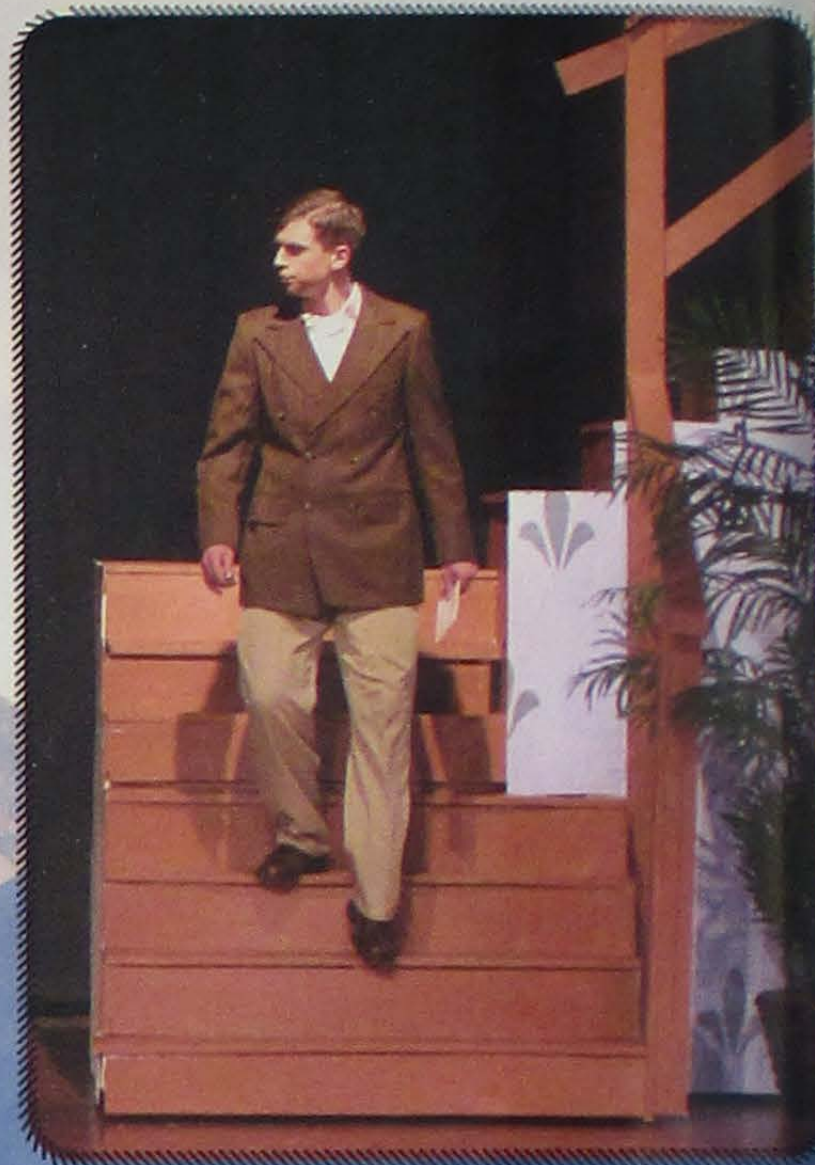
The Tech Crew



THE SOUND OF MUSIC



In this year's winter musical, Ames High students performed an American classic, *The Sound of Music*. The two main characters, played by Anson Woodin and Hannah Button-Harrison, not only sang their hearts out, but showed us their amazing guitar skills.



The cast of *The Sound of Music* greets the crowd after a successful performance.

The Sound of Music is an energetic musical about a governess who ends up teaching her family about the values of music and love. Our Ames High production of this play went well, with both a talented cast and crew. The set was skillfully decorated, and the costumes were appropriate for the characters and the time period. The preparation for the musical was time consuming, but also enjoyable. Everyone worked hard to become their character in a short amount of time.



Maria teaches the children how to sing, starting with Do Re Me.

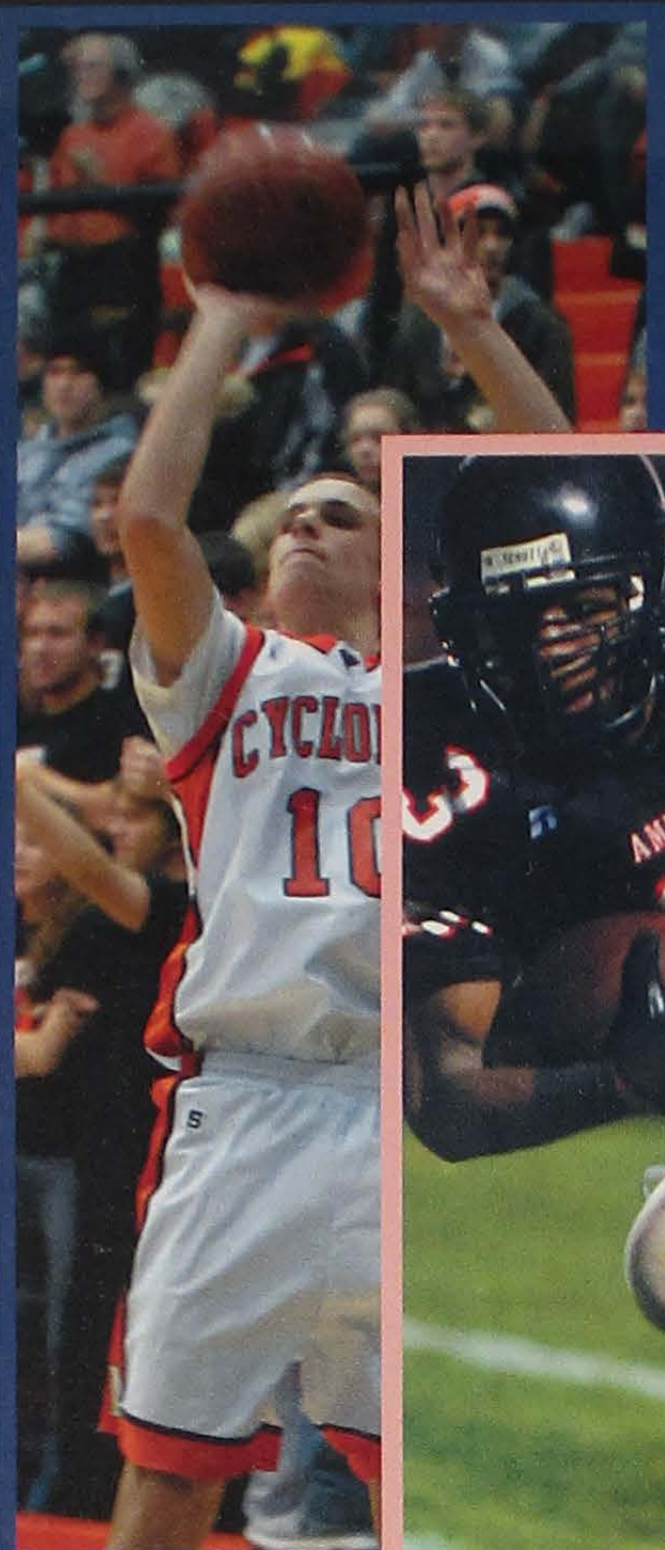


The Seven Children in *The Sound of Music* sing "Goodnight" to the dinner guests.

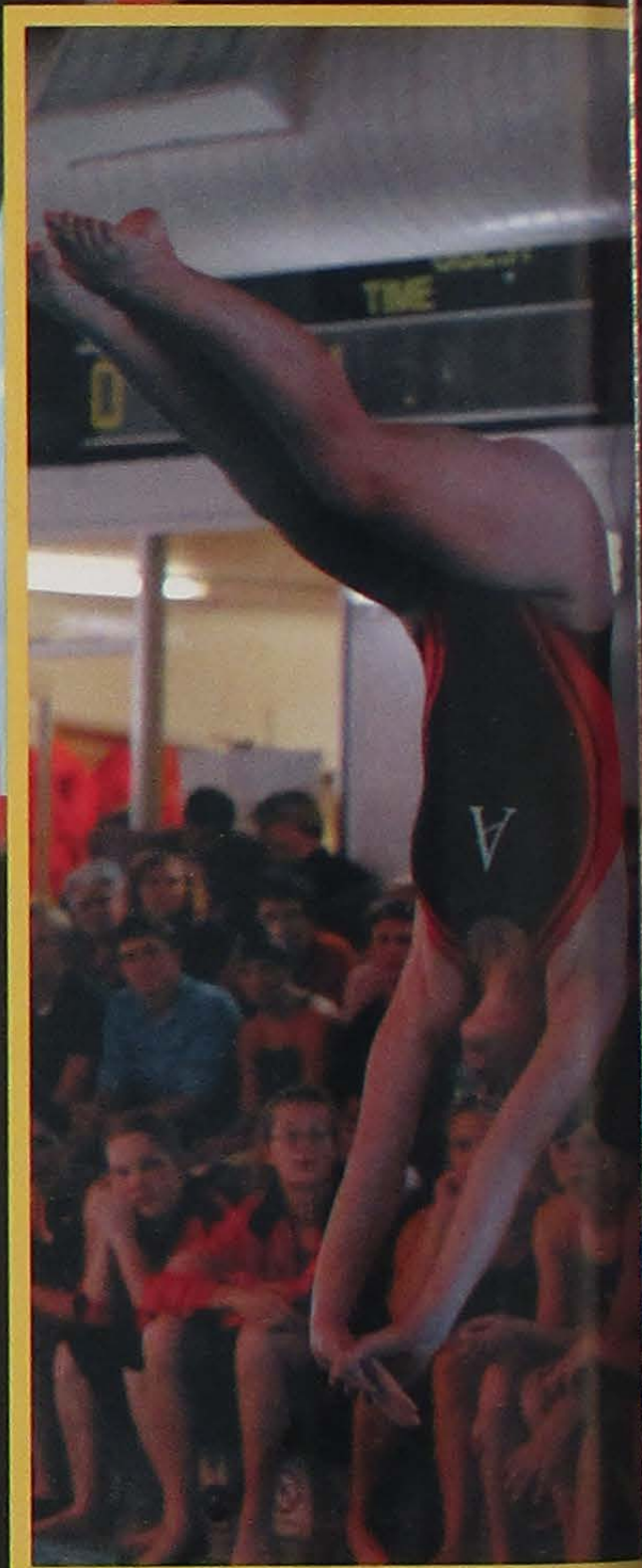
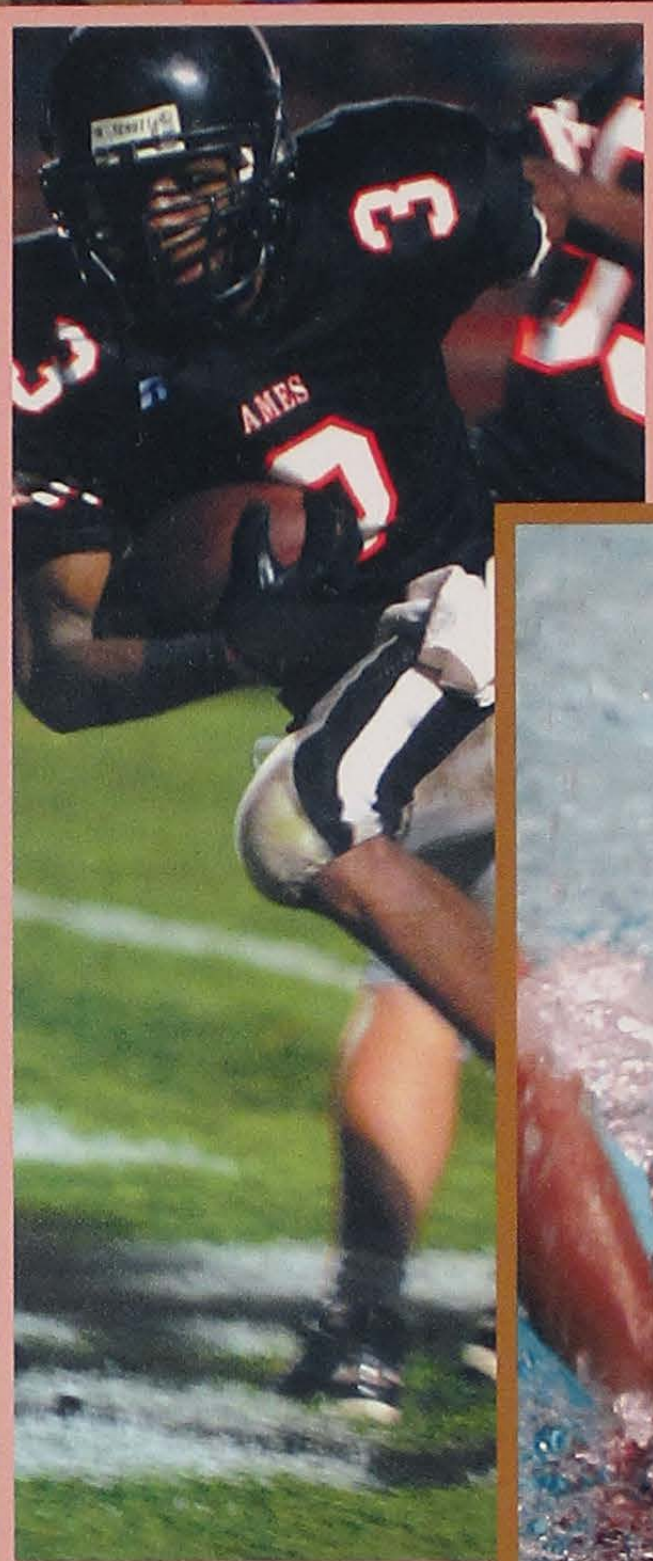
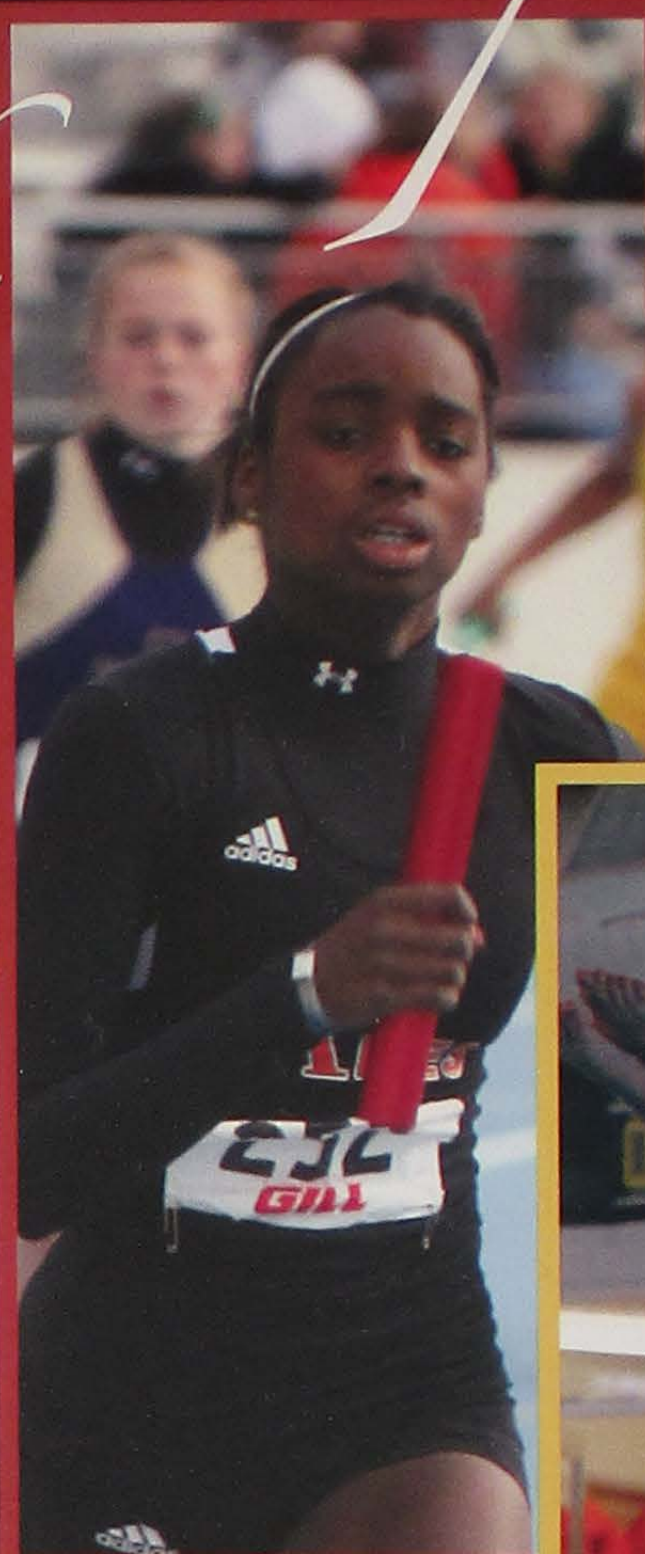
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Basketball Sports



Track



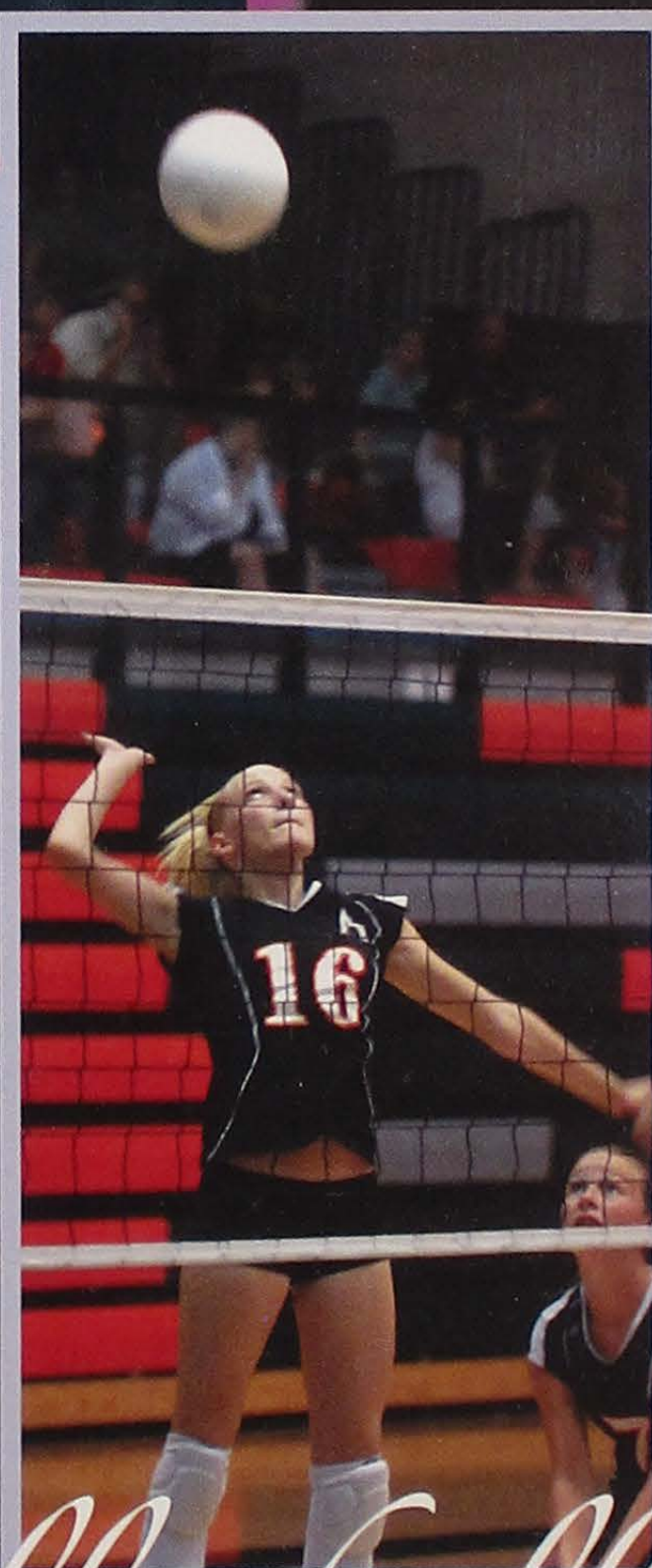
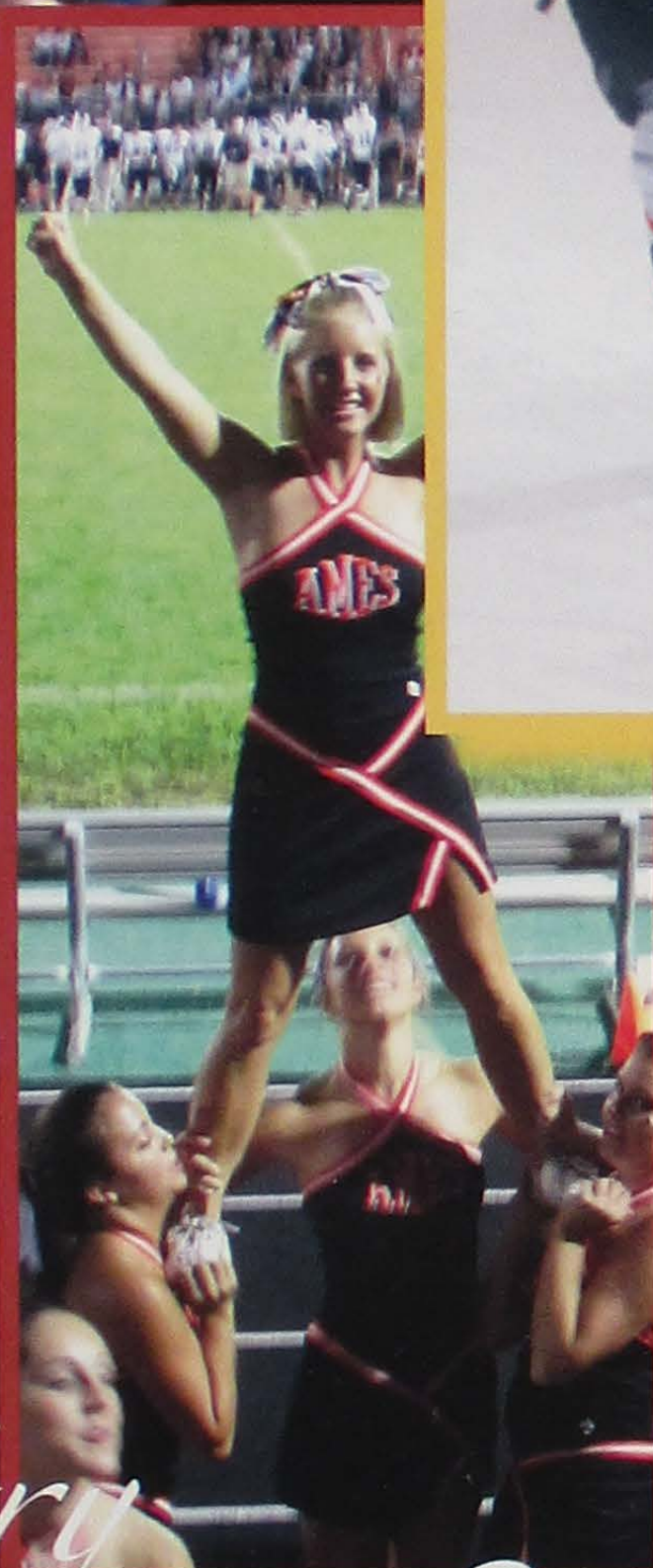
Football

Diving

Swimming

Division Hockey

Wrestling

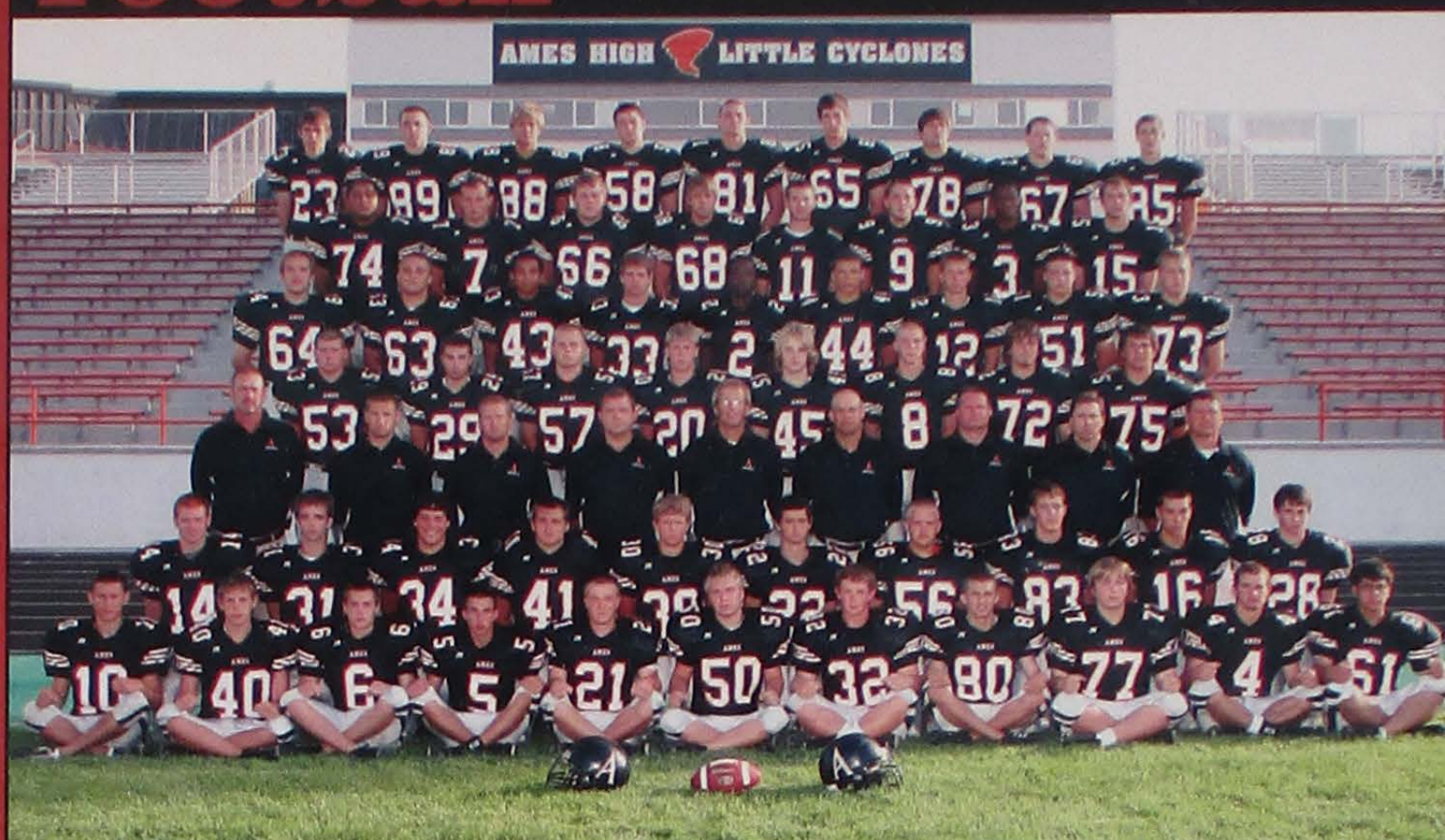


Cross Country

Cheer

Volleyball

Football



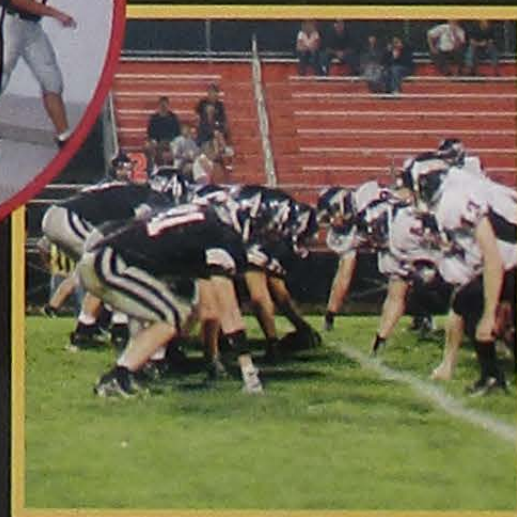
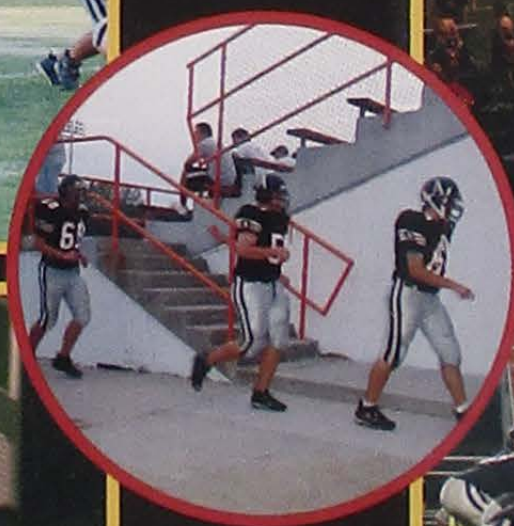
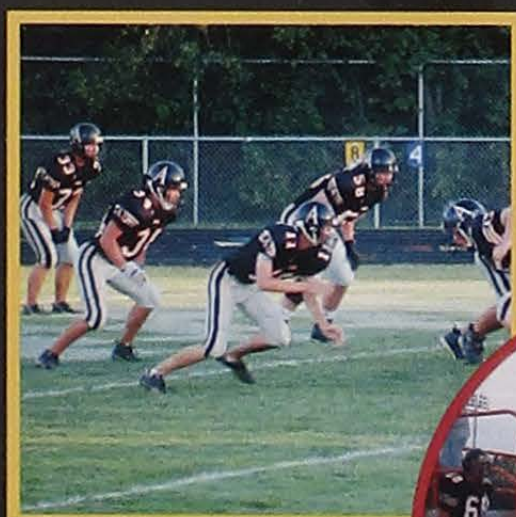
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Dearborn, T. Nesbitt, D. Accola, A. Halbur, M. Klunkel, D. Calentine, D. Trickle,
R. Berg, M. Lindemen Row 3 - Coach Cotton, Coach Von Beren, Coach Kohl, Coach Sul-
livan, Coach Vertanen, Coach Downs, Coach Shane, Coach Butler, Coach Rial Row 4
- C. Vosberg, T. Fair, R. Banach, R. Tierney, D. Lanning, B. Simpson, D. Warren,
M. Golemo Row 5 - T. Miller, Z. Hurd, D. Ardoin, M. Heitzmen, D. Tim, S. Breitling,
M. Greenwald, S. Klinkel, J. Comstock Row 6 - J. Harris, S. Cruise, B. Balbiani,
K. Tegler, D. Schlosser, M. Pick, S. Tim, J. Russel Row 7 - A. Rolfe, N. Toben, B.
Novey, J. Fitzsimmons, B. Cotton, J. Koeler, A. Olinger, S. Smalley, J. Meyn

Following the 2007 football season the head coach spoke highly of the team's effort. "Although we didn't qualify for the playoffs, which was a disappointment, our team stayed extremely competitive and competed with determination throughout the season. This year the team faced a vigorous schedule against many difficult teams. However, they were able to avenge two of their last year losses by defeating Des Moines Roosevelt and Newton," Bruce Vertanen said. Even after facing all of struggles and all the stiff competition the CIML conference had to offer the football team was able to complete another winning season.

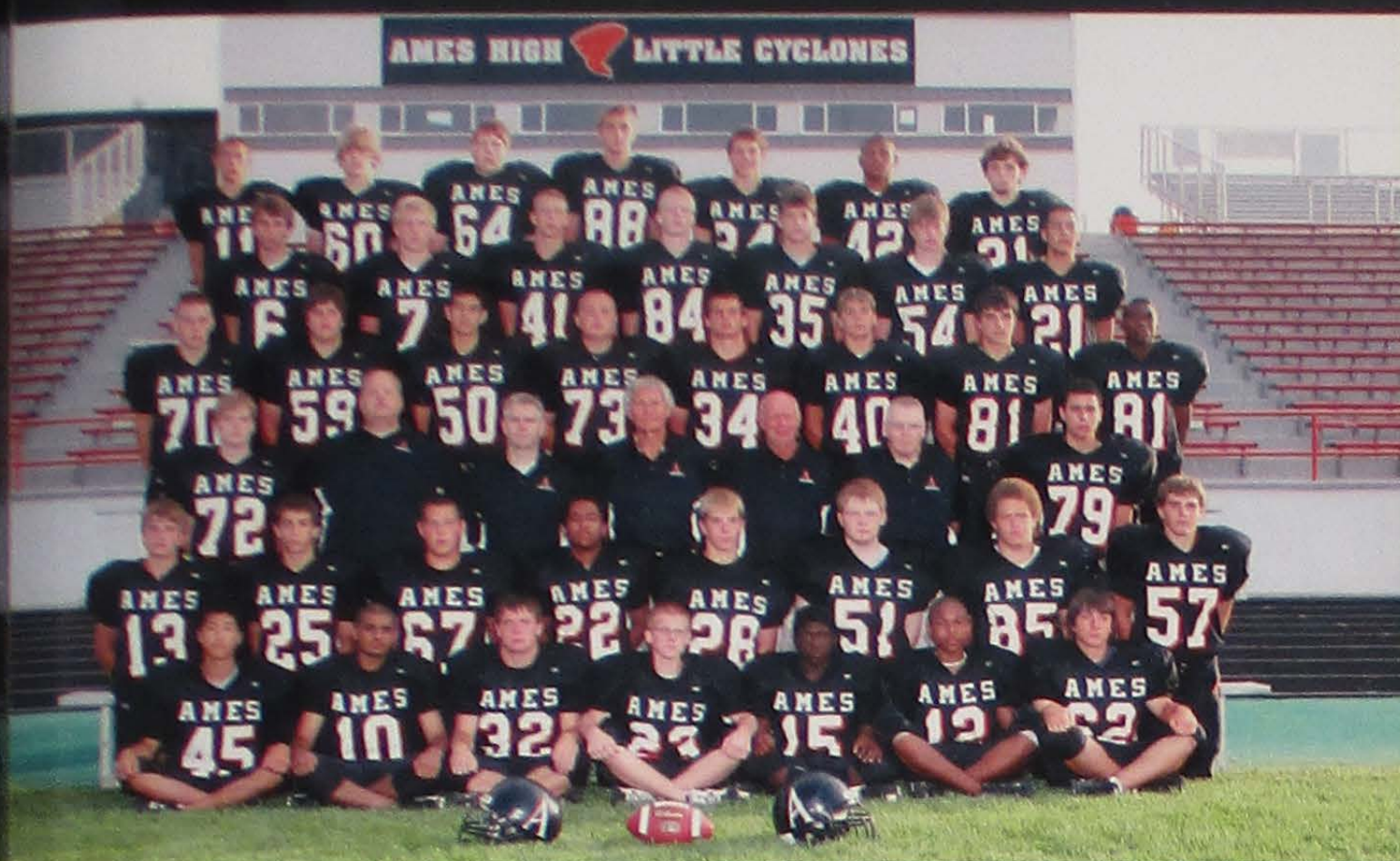
Record

AHS 31 - Roosevelt 6
AHS 43 - Sioux City 14
AHS 14 - Southeast Polk 25
AHS 3 - Newton 0
AHS 0 - Valley 24
AHS 35 - Mason City 14
AHS 21 - Marshalltown 37
AHS 8 - Waukee 26
AHS 23 - Fort Dodge 15

Varsity



AMES HIGH LITTLE CYCLONES



Row 1 - A. Miller, A. Imran, D. Lewis, T. Hansen, E. Gildermaster, F. LuVaga, M. Oster Row 2 - E. Houk, T. Sejaan, G. Harris, E. Terry, J. Thompson, T. Schonerock, Rich, M. Klucas Row 3 - A. Houghton, Coach Matters, Coach Beck, Coach Duea, Coach Tramp, Coach Schweiger, Z. McCalley Row 4 - N. Lubinus, D. Schaeffer, J. Raser, J. Kokemiller, H. Breshears, M. Kerns, B. Hanson, J. Wandling Row 5 - A. Snney, W. Frantzen, T. Noergaard, R. Stuve, R. Forth, K. Montang, R. Wu Row 6 - DeKovic, D. Berg, A. Server, J. Cotton, R. Burke, D. Howards, N. Cowen

AMES HIGH LITTLE CYCLONES



Row 1 - A. Lelonek, R. Miller, L. Taylor, D. McClain, J. Best, T. McKerian, B. Bourkland, A. Olinger Row 2 - C. Withers, J. Buckles, C. Hinojo, E. Smith, T. Peterson, B. Dale, S. Bergeson, E. Jones Row 3 - K. Anderson, A. Jacobson, A. Olson, Coach Berger, Coach Smith, L. Swalla, B. Swalla, D. Dixon Row 4 - G. May, Blum, C. Thompson, T. Rush, C. Accola, K. Stasko, Z. Moorman Row 5 - R. Cowen, Rutherford, A. Kapone, N. Cruise, D. Jensen, M. Bonestroo, J. Tylka, D. Doyle



Everybody listen up! - Giving the varsity football team a motivating speech, Coach Vertanen. (photo by Ben Nadler)



Go Long! - Throwing a pass, senior Marty Pick helps the team to yet another touchdown. Marty was the offensive leader of the football team this year. (photo by Tony Chung)

Sophomore



Freshman

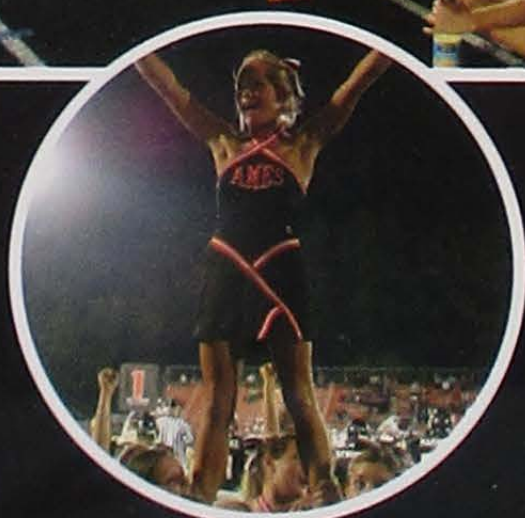
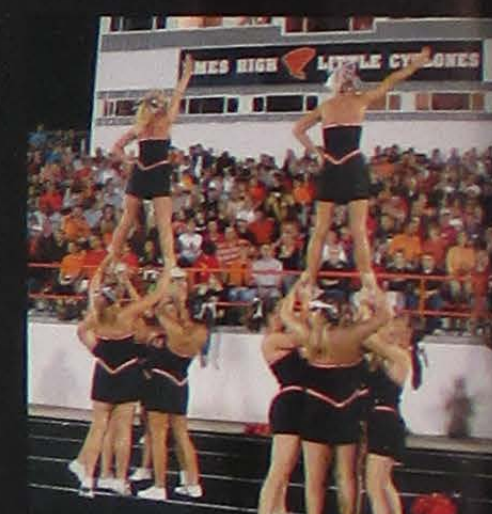
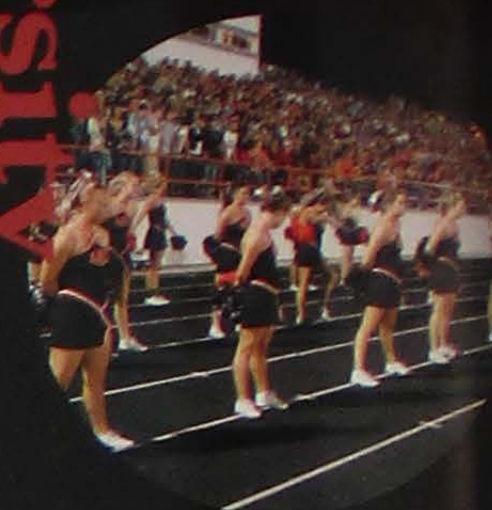


Cheerleading



Row 1 - Lisa Carter, Megan Grummer, Becca Voss, Mercedes Mikelson, Allie Gerritson, McKenzie Dorhman Row 2 - Jordan Bundy, Larrissa Jones, Lauren Dixon, Mallory Sorenson, Emily Erbes, Jordan Campbell, Kate Gibson Row 3 - Julia Hanson, Allison Hamilton, Nikki Kerns, Jackie Mason, Kinsey Belz, Ashley McFarland, Brittany Strickler, Coach Sarah Buss

WOW what a great cheer season! The girls have worked hard all summer attending camps, practicing once a week, and making sure they are ready for the first Football game. The Freshman squad had 10 members this year that worked hard to learn the school song, the traditional AHS cheers and learned stunting and safety skills. The Sophomores are now veterans and worked hard this season stepping up their stunts and cheering each game with confidence and excitement; this is a very "cheerful" group. The Varsity was the picture of team work. With half of their squad being new, they pulled together as one and focused on common goals and reached unlimited heights, flying high! The girls this year were great because of the heart and skill they brought to each practice. The love for cheerleading and their school was apparent each time they put on their uniforms. I am honored to coach them, they are all lovely young ladies of Ames High, Aiming High! ~Coach Buss



Varsity



Row 1 - Nikki Best, Katie Trickle, Kelli Barret, Megan Girard Row 2 - Paige Swift, Jan Davis, Hannah VanEvery, Becca Rial, Stephanie Holtman Row 3 - Taylor Son-
l, Alyx Lyons, Rebecca Lewis, Coach Ashley, Katlyn Humlicek, Anna Baumgar-
ter, Michelle Gibson



Row 1 - Caitlin Fox, Jamie Consamus Row 2 - Tali Christian, Kim Richards, Kaitlyn
Maligan Row 3 - Melissa Munkvold, Maggie Miller, Erica Anderson, Alison Church,
Lisa Streit, Ronna Belz



Can Line! - Waiting for the
off, the varsity cheerleaders line
with their pom poms in the air.

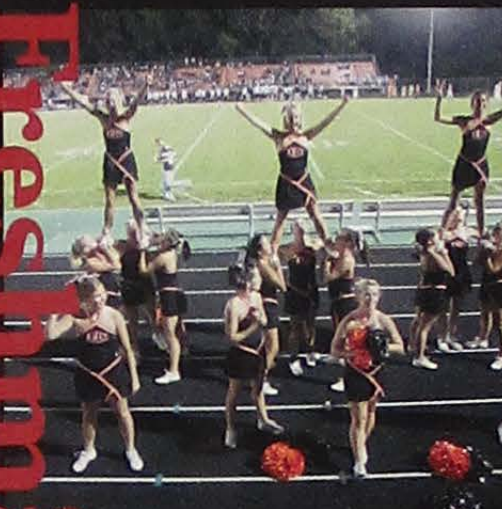


A-H-S! - Stunting and cheer-
ing during a football game, the var-
sity cheerleaders pump up the crowd.

Sophomore



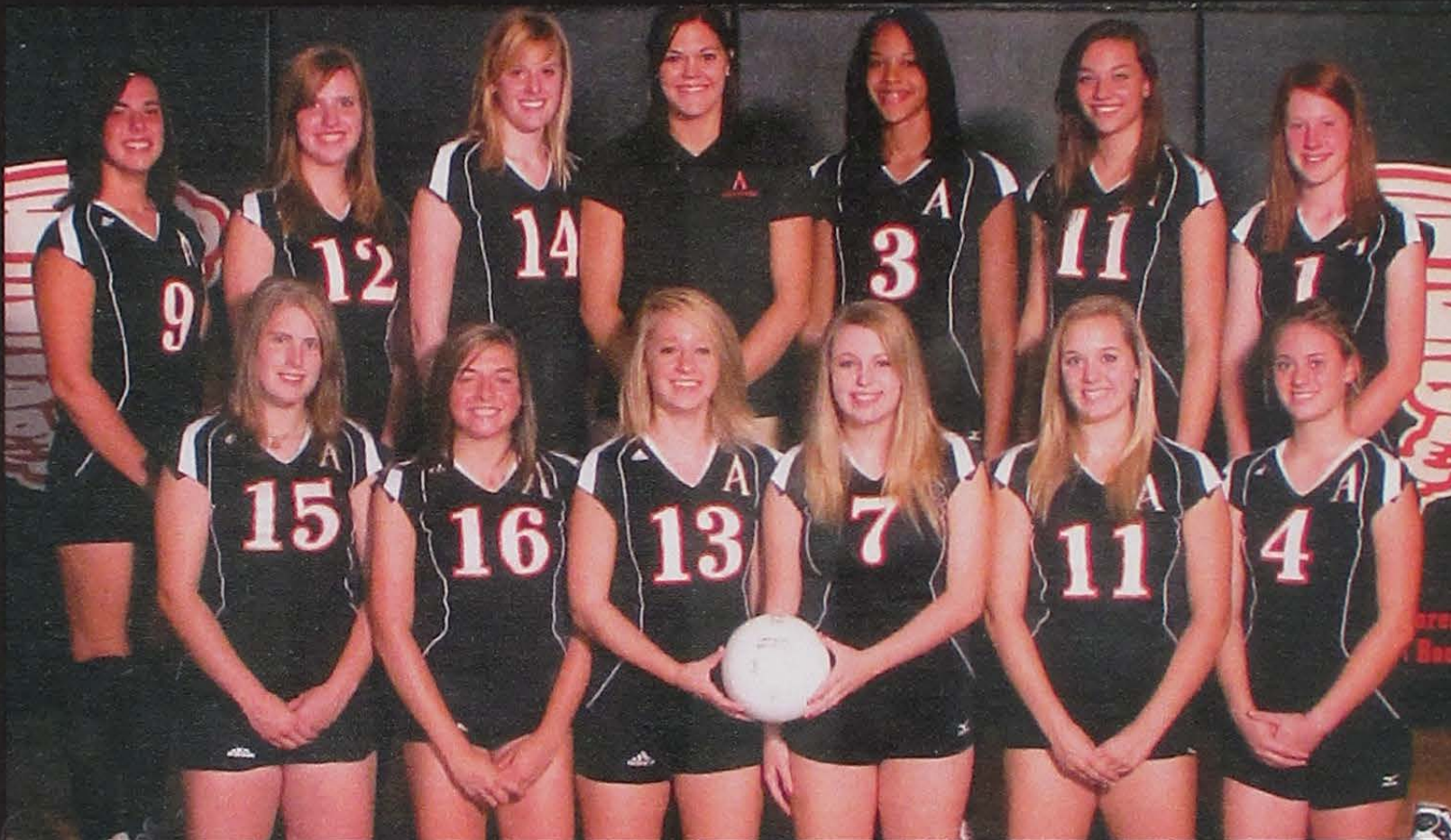
Freshman



Volleyball



Row 1 - Coach Cindy Holmes, Lindsey Elliot, Kira Boswell, Steph Keller, Sammi Ausborn, Kylie Drzycimski, Laura Pedersen Row 2 - Coach Greta Billerbeck, Kali Short, Frances Xin, Taylor Slotter, Katie Marsden, Erin Smith, Brianna Goodman, Tayler Bodholdt, Jackson Federle

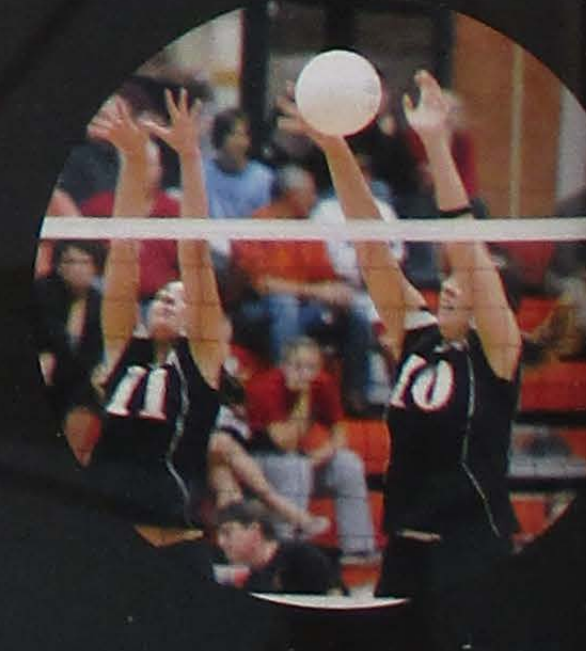
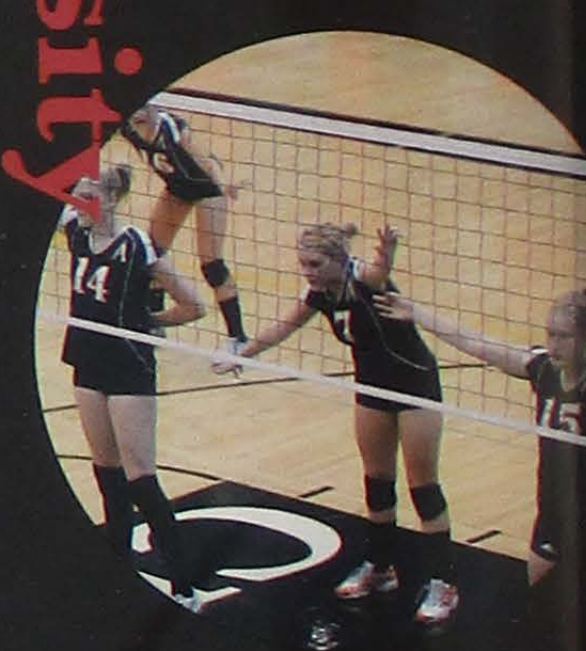
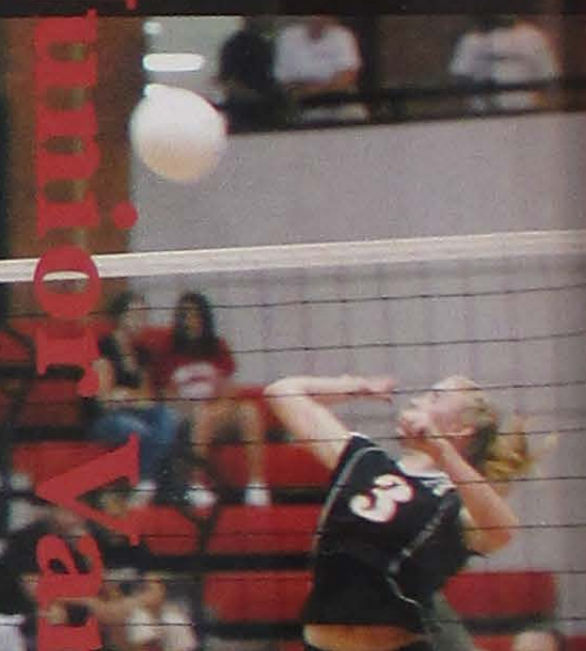


Row 1 - Jess White, Kira Boswell, Lindsey Elliot, Sammi Ausborn, Sarah Kirtz, Kayla Roof, Kali Shor, Erin Smith, Coach Greta Billerbeck, Kionna Kellogg, Brianna Goodman, Tayler Bodholdt

Starting the season ranked as number one seemed to be a fitting place for this year's volleyball team. The team ended with a spectacular record of 35 and 6. The Little Cyclones went undefeated in dual meets and scored a total of 2264 points while only giving up 1623 points in every match they played through the season. "Despite having a shorter season than we would have liked, we grew and developed so much as a team" senior Frances Xin said. "I enjoyed every moment of it and will miss every aspect of high school volleyball...that is no lie." This year's squad was graced with many great players and many of the players earned CIML Iowa Conference Honors. Frances Xin and Katie Marsden made first team, Laura Pedersen, Taylor Slotter, and Steph Keller made second team, and Kylie Drzycimski made an honorable mention. Last but not least, Coach Cindy Holmes was named Coach of the Year.

Record

AHS 3 - SE Polk 2
AHS 3 - Indianola 2
AHS 3 - M-town 0
AHS 3 - Mason City 0
AHS 3 - Valley 0
AHS 3 - Fort Dodge 1
AHS 3 - Waukee 0
AHS 3 - Urbandale 0





Row 1 - Brittany Ballantine, Karly Bergquist, Chrissy Jones, Paula Crippen, Jessica [unclear], Abby Hartzler, Kalya Ely, Row 2 - Kelsie Dye, Allison Tim, Rachel Boylan, [unclear] Loughren, Larissa Abuhl, Lea Benson, Audrey Folkman, Molly McGrory, Coach [unclear] Matters

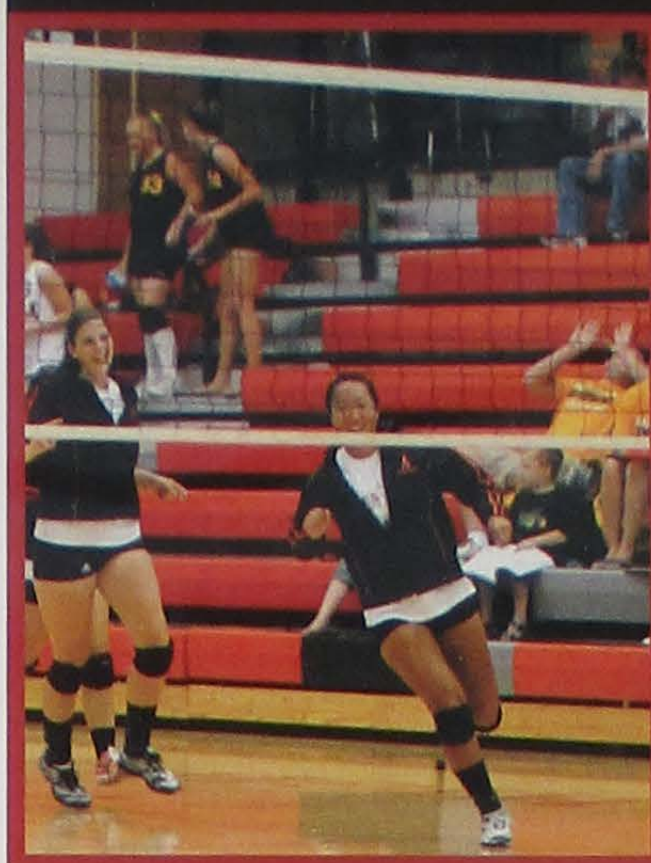


Row 1 - Ashton Miliken, Haley Lavender, Tierne Rogers, Bre Schoenrock, Madi Mickelson, Meredith Baldrige Row 2 - Coach Melissa Owen, Whitney Manhart, Liz Pribyl, [unclear] Atroon, Katie Saylor, Sadie Botine, Madi McCormick



of the Free and the Home of the Brave - Standing in silence before their match, the varsity volleyball team anxiously waits during the national anthem during a home volleyball meet against Valley. (photo by Tony Chung)

Sophomore



Getting Pumped - Jogging around the court, seniors Frances Xin and Katie Marsden pump up the crowd before their match. (photo by Tony Chung)



Serving it up - Setting up another play, senior Laura Pedersen helps the team gain another victory. (photo by Tony Chung)



Coming Together - Grouping up, the team lets out a cheer to create motivation as well as unity. The varsity team miraculously comes back from behind to win their first game of the season. (photo by Nathan Davis)

Row 1 - Sydney Brause, Carolyn Metz, Bryanna Behning, Mollie Bourke, Ciatta Yarngo, Brooke Schweikert, Neo Mazur, Jo Gruenewald, Maggie Brockway, Tori Mayfield, Rebecca Miller Row 2 - Rachel Miller, Liz Kaloupek, Alyssa Jackson, Sarah Loucks, Malorie Brause, Sofiya Hupalo, Autumn Thompson, Kelsey Dietrich, Emily Wandling, Chloe Knudel Row 3 - Charissa Ehrhardt, Kayla Becraft, Sophia Courneya, Aimee Sargent, Coach Megan Tremble, Coach Kirk Schmaltz, Coach Eric Cogdill, Taryn Tigges, Anne Todey, Megan Reynolds, Sarah Graveline Row 4 - Dree Brakke, Bridget Brown, Michelle Millage, Annie Block, Bekah Miller, Janessa Delaney, Sarah Kerr, Laura Drum, Emma Paschen, Katie Williams Row 5 - Mythili Prabhu, Juila Reynolds, Kimberly Garasky, Madison Prueger, Emily Boydston, Sophie Pierce, Ellie Weiss, Mary Schiesman, Emma Ravenscroft, Katie Isebrands, Stephanie Soh Row 6 - Lindsey Niehm, Paige Gwiasda, Sarah Pesch, Ellen Hansen, Rachel Hauber, Marika Liebman, Laura Gehring



Girls Cross Country

With "one of the largest teams in cross country history - 78 people" there was bound to be some interesting activities throughout the season which range from team dinners and the infamous fight club to fxc and a first place finish at districts. When asked about the season, Coach Mooney stated, "we felt so good in our uniforms and we looked great!" But beyond that, some highlights of the season were winning districts and beating Valley. Overall, the team did very well as a whole and placed 12th at state. Senior Sam Bird said, "we adopted a strategy of going out fast by the end of the season. Brandon Leibold and I led the first half mile of the state meet. We couldn't hold our lead but for that half mile, we were beating every runner in the state." When everything is said and done, the main aspect taken from the season is unity.

"The girls team is like a big family because we're all there to support each other," sophomore Bekah Miller said. A lot of girls go out for the sport not only for the love of running but because they hear about the fun and adventures. Practices are made up of fun-filled road runs and "Wacky Wednesday" traditions. Cross country meets are no different in atmosphere. "Even though I only competed in one meet I found [the sport] enticing because of the strong bonds between the girls," senior Neo Mazur said. The girls were Conference champs, finished second at Districts, and finished sixth at State. "State this year was the most competitive State meet I've been to on a 4A level," Coach Schmaltz said. "Us finishing 6th is like other teams finishing first or second. We had an excellent season and I enjoyed how the team grew personally outside of practice and during practice."

Boys Cross Country



Row 1 - Nate Runyon, Spencer Ring, Peter Scott, Joel Rosenberg, Robbie Dennis, Tim Fernando, Daniel Jahren, Yeil Park, Joey Greene, Natha Kaloupek Row 2 - Manager Galadriel Comitc, Brett Steelman, John Yang, Devin Becraft, Be Feller, Deepak Premkumar, Jordan Pool, Davi Hickok, Roman Sailsbury, Nate Gartin Row 3 - Manager Emma Welch, Trainer Dorothy Thomas, David Shirbroun, Matt Skarshaug, Matt Englin, Coach Tim Mooney, Coach Justus Halem, Kar Hamouche, Daniel Park, Ben Nadler, Tony Chun Row 4 - Brandon Trytek, Stephen Pearson, Matt Lee, Stephen Todey, Skyler Young, William Kresse, Bobby Hunter, Riley Wendt, Pete Dixon, Ezra Hart, Jordan Fitzsimmons Row 5 - Andy James, Mark Gilarski, Lucas Bauer, Danie Brown, Brandon Leibold, Patrick Snell, Mo Akkon, Paul Hibbing, Seth Kenne, Alex Dea Row 6 - Rex Fernando, Shawn Bergesen, Zac Liechty, Cale Brakke, Quentin Ring, Kevi Svec, Alex Schill, Greg Wheelock, Harlan Bake Row 7 - Ryan Tucker, Matt VanWinkle, Tyle Clark, Clark Ennis, Sam Bird, Marc McClanahan, AJ Giebelstein, Ben Mackey, Leo Bird



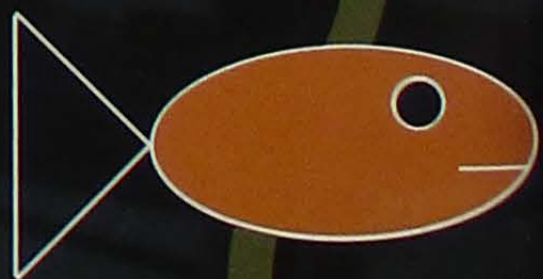
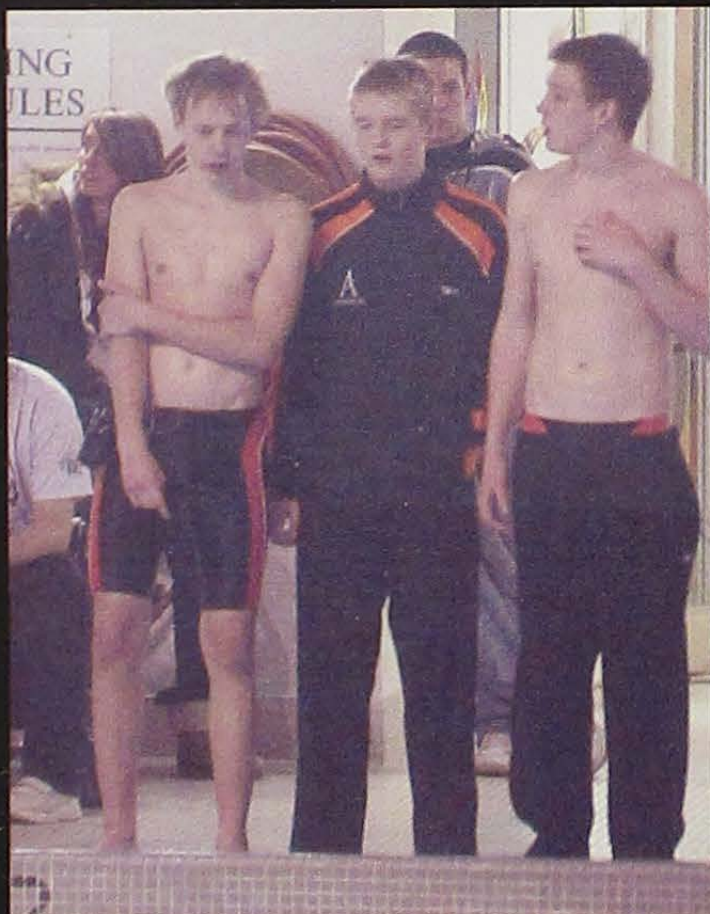
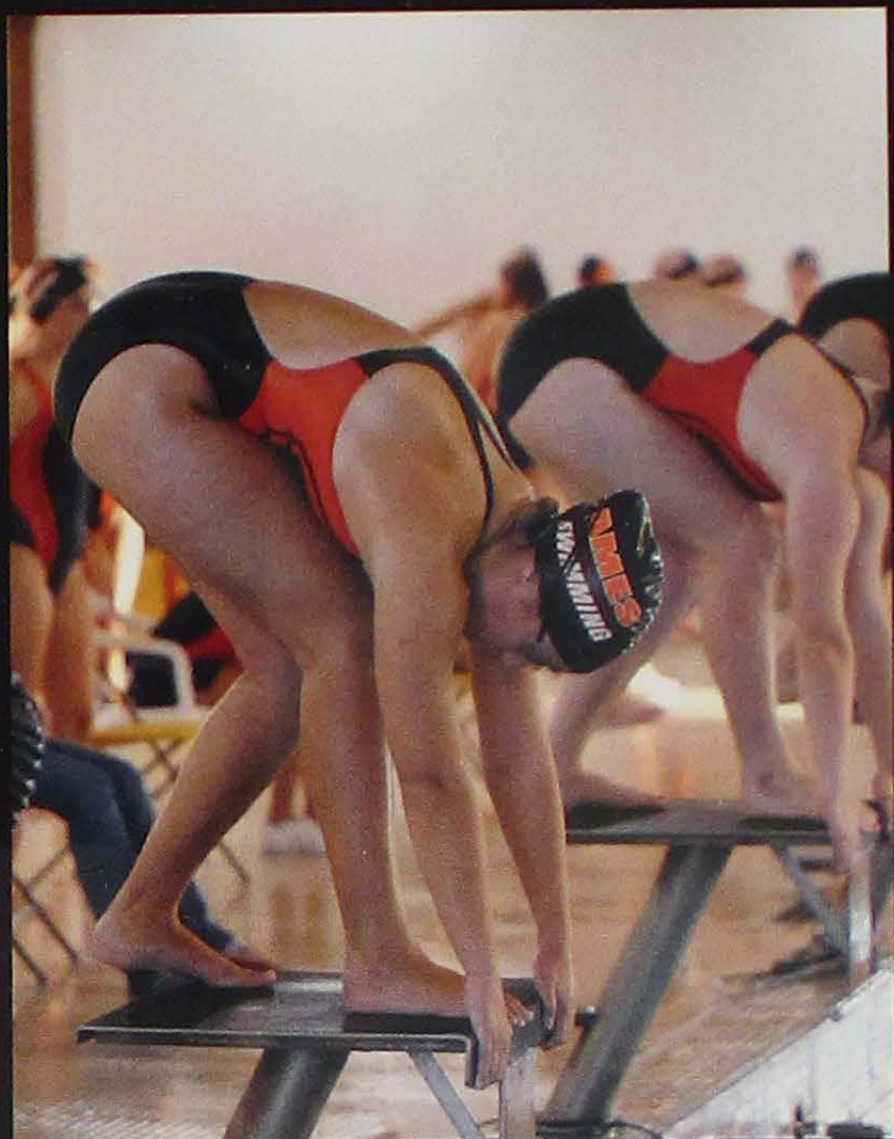
Muscle Man- Fighting with all his might, freshman **Spencer Ring** prepares to be power bombed by senior **Clark Ennis** at one of the traditional spaghetti dinners. (photo courtesy of Devin Becraft)



Hot Stuff- Showing off her hot looks, sophomore **Emily Wandling** takes part in the XC Girls' weekly Wednesday dress ups. (photo by Anne Today)



Road Runner - Running strong and steady, senior **Mou Akoon** sees the finish line up ahead and starts to pick up the pace. (photo by Tony Chung)



Boys Swimming

Row 1 - A. Seshapa, A. Hofer, S. Burgason, Timinski, L. Borg, E. McCallom, A. Bissis, B. Bjorkland Row 2 - D. Krauss, Houton, R. Wu, J. Federle, M. Haimuchi, Green, B. Demirichi, S. Harrington, S. Eidemeyer, S. Wills, Coach Christine Van Meter Row 3 - E. Bjorkland, C. Baughman, R. Burke, T. Kutchen, J. Hagan, M. Saxton, Stark, M. Kemp, L. Dekkers, B. Utesch, Coach Tyler Strodtman Row 4 - M. Garasky, Wayne, K. Haimuchi, D. Calentine, M. Carswell, E. Bouer, D. Hickok, N. Immerman, A. Knight, I. Herrman, S. Strelow, Coach Dan Flannery Row 5 - R. Hackerson, W. Miller, S. Bonnet, L. Erikson, D. Brown, Z. Bridges, D. Crusciel, W. Rundle, C. Luecke, Rupp



Girls Swimming



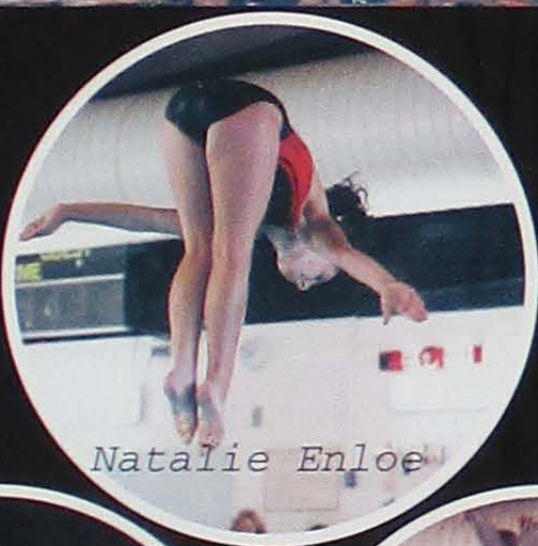
Row 1 - K. Ranney, A. James, D. Kraus, M. Lui Row 2 - c. Salisbury, E. Bjorklund, M. Garasky, J. Mayfield, J. Eggert, A. Rezt, S. Chandra, L. Naeve, A. Carswell, M. Cummings, K. Warning Row 3 - Coach Abby Van Maaren, T. Steenblock, J. Joeger, B. Twiselton, M. Dobyns, N. Enloe, S. Bird, N. Crow, A. Hagen, J. Borich, L. Burke, M. Harrington, E. Heikens, L. Moorman Row 4 - Coach Tyler Strodtman, C. Lawrence, H. Tuggle, S. Koch, A. Tepper, L. Tuggle, V. Harding, L. Bonnett, K. Vosberg, E. Downard, G. Jaeschke, D. Fitzgerald, Coach Abi Fangman Row 5 - A. Meese, L. Grant, S. Dougherty, A. Pitcher, T. Hawley, M. Anderson, C. Quant, CJ Cummings, B. Rain, M. VanPelt, M. Tsai, C. Stammer, Coach Dan Flannery Row 6 - C. Zuerner, A. Rewoldt, C. Freeman, T. Ring, A. Joeger, K. Hauck, K. Dunlap, K. Dobson, C. Tringides, H. Vollbrecht, C. Liechty

Girls Swimming and Diving occurs during the fall season and Boys Swimming occurs in the winter season. The girls Varsity record was 7-2 and the JV record was 9-0. The team finished 3rd at conference against West Des Moines Valley and Marshalltown. They finished 6th at State this year which is the highest state finish since 1974. They qualified eight swimmers and all 3 Varsity divers. Stephanie Koch claimed two State titles along with twelve school records. Lauren Naeve set the eleven dive school record that had not been broken since 1984. The boys Varsity and JV records were both 9-0. They won their conference and districts meets. At State they finished 5th this year in which nine of them competed at State. Dan Flannery said about the seasons, "We wanted to establish a good atmosphere, swim fast, and have fun, and the teams accomplished this." The girls and boys teams are head coached by Dan Flannery. The girls team is assistant coached by Tyler Strodtman and Abby Van Maaren. The diving team is coached by Abi Fangman. The boys is assistant coached by Tyler Strodtman and Christine Van Meter.

DIVING



Gerri Jaeschke



Natalie Enloe



Lauren Naeve



Maxley Dobyns



Anna Joeger



Lauren Naeve



Judy Syrkin-Nikolau

Row 1 - Allison Clem, Marissa Striat, Lauralyn Wirkmeister, Mollie Bourke

Row 2 - Annette White, Lauren Schwab, Emily Owen, Katie Purcell, Mackenzie Bourke

Row 3 - Coach Voss, Karly Bergquist, Coach Heiburger, Erica Thompson, Kagan Sankovitch, Leah Hansen, Lindsey Neihm



Girls' Golf

The boys' golf team had an impressive season this year. They played outstandingly well, earning themselves a well-deserved runner up finish at the state tournament. Some of the noteworthy highlights of the season included a second place conference finish and a second place finish at the district meet.

This season was one to remember, and the team's exemplary performance left Mr. Voss with parting words of praise: "This is the best finish since 1986 for the Ames boys' golf team. I could not be more proud of these boys and the way the season finished." The season started out slowly, but through the season they began to improve, leading to an advancement from 8th all the way to 2nd at conference. They kept up with this great pace, kept playing well and ended up feeling good about what they had done this season. After the first day of state, they were two strokes behind first place and worked hard to make it up. In the end, they only had to make up one of those strokes, leaving them one stroke from tying first. Although they didn't take first, they all feel good about what they accomplished.

Girls' golf started out the 2008 season with a mix of returning players and many new players as well. The girls' golf team had seven returning players along with seven new players. Coaches Bob Heiberger and R.J. Voss started the returning players out early with three 9-hole rounds of golf at Veenker and the Ames Golf and Country Club before the first meet. The first meet of the season was Conference #1. The girls' golf team won with a 319, just a two stroke lead over Ankeny. "I was very proud of my girls with this victory because it gave us a leg up on the competition for the second half of conference at the end of the season," Coach Bob Heiberger said. As of mid-season, the golf team was ranked third in state with Ottumwa first and Ankeny second. From the beginning to the end of the season the girls JV team improved a lot this year. Comparing the first meet and the last, the JV girls improved by close to 80 strokes. The girls varsity team were conference champions for the first time since 2002. The girls also had a second place finish in the regionals meet to push them on to state. At state the girls finished third place, just one stroke behind Ottumwa.

Boys' Golf



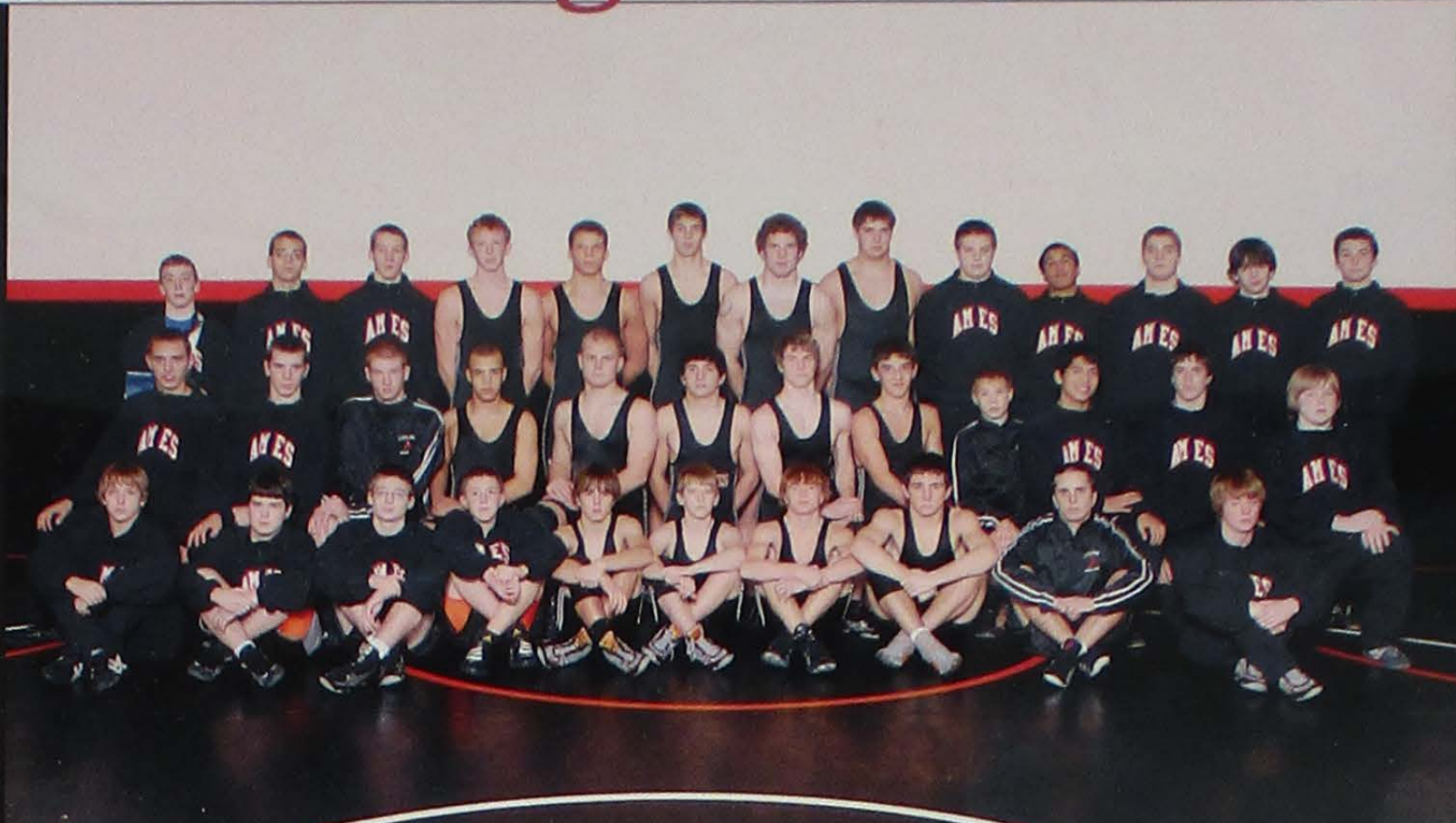
Row 1 - Brian Crouse, Taylor Linder, Zach Lenhart, Evan Weible, Zach Monroe, Kevin Ranney, Matt Winkleblack

Row 2 - Shawn Rainy, Nathan Hurley, Mitch Sanke, T. Sanders, Trevor Weiss, Douge McDermott, Kyle Martin, Trevor White

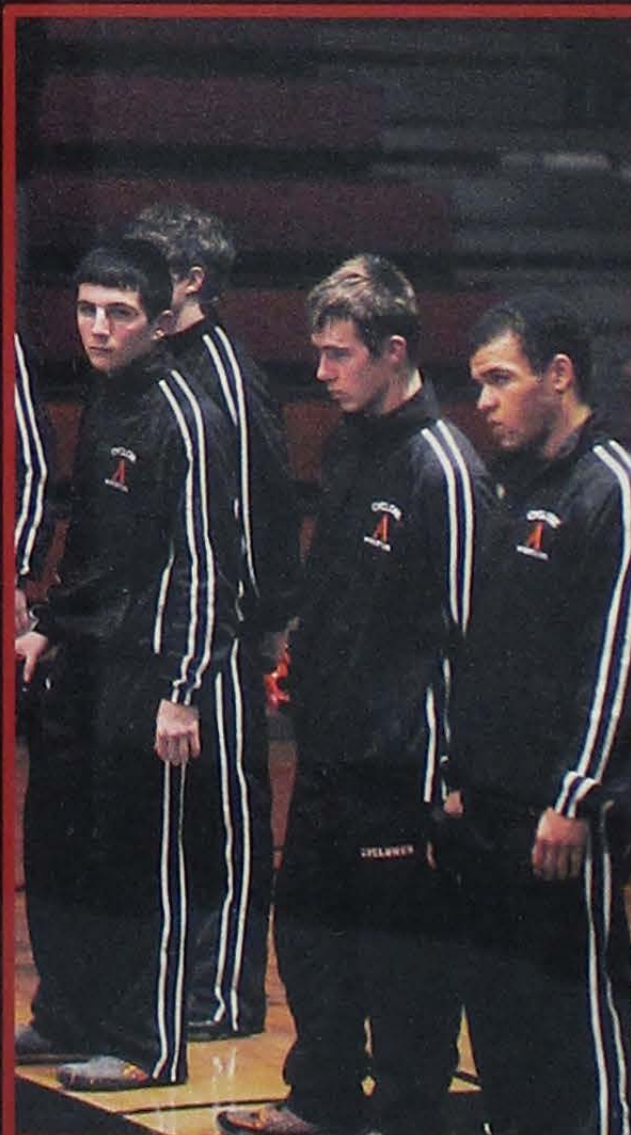
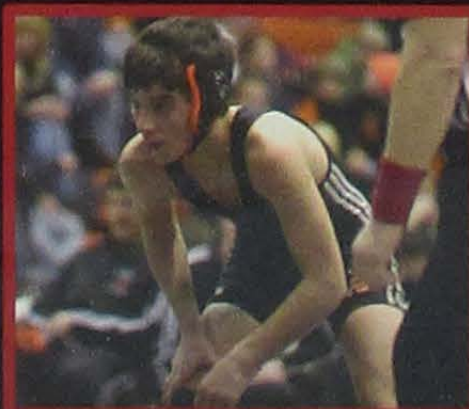
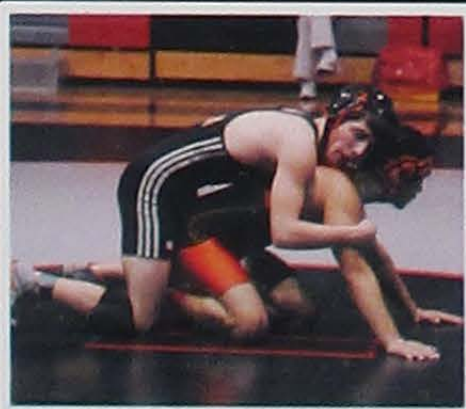
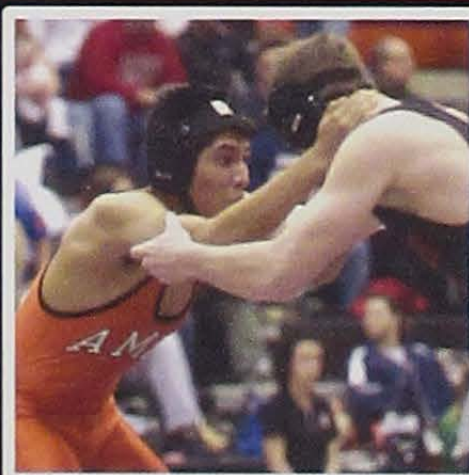
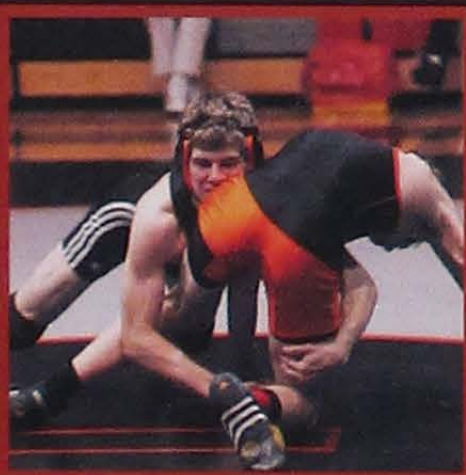
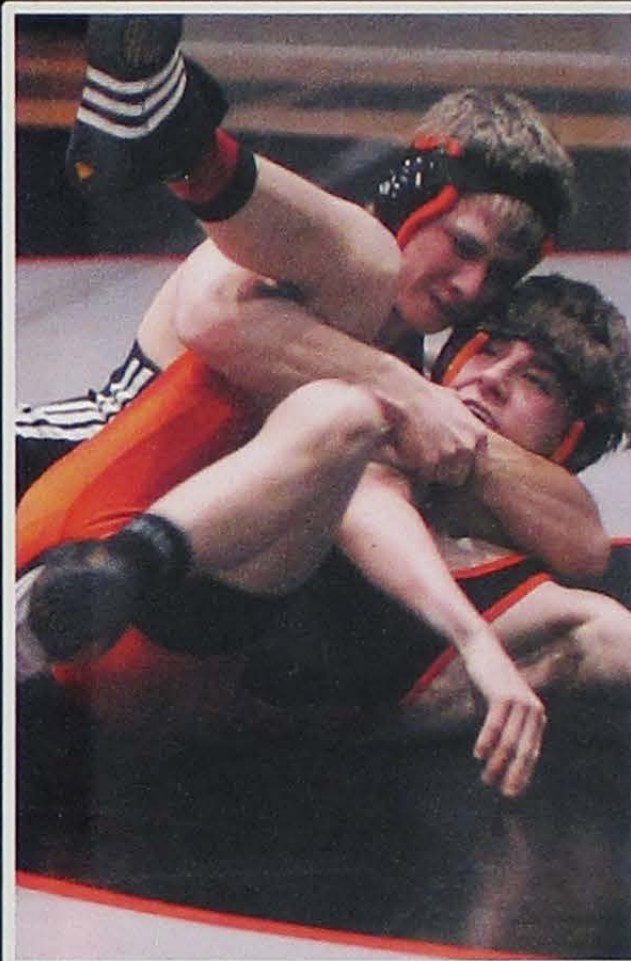
Row 3 - Levi Stabler, Grace Kostelecky, Ryan Marrs, Brady White, Nick McDermott, Nathan Griffith, Patrick McCormick, Anson Woodin



Wrestling



Row 1 - A. Olinger, T. Gassman, P. Scott, S. Ring, J. Agnitsch M. Blakeley, D. Jahren, L. Swalla, N. Schroeder, E. Jones. Row 2 - G. May, J. Thompson, R. Blumer, D. Norris, R. Banach, B. Swalla, J. McClelland, D. Becraft, N. Kraus, C. Hinojo, H. Baker, C. Stott. Row 3 - A. Johnson, S. Young, C. Lien, Q. Ring, S. Breitling, L. Stephenson, T. Knight, A. Olinger, S. Klinkel, D. Dixon, B. Pannier, C. Church, A. Ritz

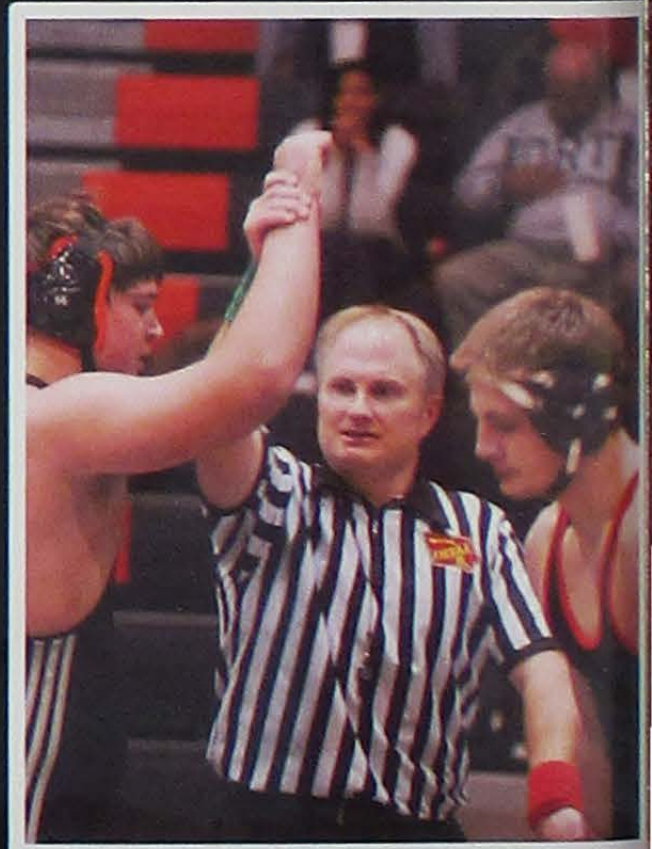


Record

Dual Results (4-3-2)
Perry - Win
Boone - Tie
Roosevelt - Loss
East - Win
Marshalltown - Win
Urbandale - Tie
Mason City - Loss
Valley - Loss
Waukee - Win

In recent history, the wrestling team has had open-ended expectations for its season outcome. Although there appeared to be a similar scenario this year, it turned out that future squads will have some definitive goals to accomplish as this year's team set realistic and definitive expectations for the future. Of the 14 varsity positions, only 5 were occupied with returning experience: seniors J. McClelland, Taylor Knight, Alex Olinger and juniors Daniel Jahren and Riley Banach. Although not appearing to be the mark of success, the record included two ties that resulted in losses due to criteria, not to mention wrestling one of the toughest schedules in the state, battling four top ten ranked teams. To cap off the team highlights, two Cyclones triumphed with the ultimate individual goal by qualifying for the State tournament. Taylor Knight and Riley Banach both made the trip to compete amongst the state's best in Des Moines. It was there that Banach was able to pull an upset in the second round to make way for placing 6th. With such team and individual accomplishments, next year should bring more concrete expectations for total success on the Cyclone Wrestling Team.

Head Coach: Chad Zmolek



And the Winner Is! - Raising the arm of senior Alex Olinger, the Ref declares Alex's victory against yet another Valley wrestler. (photo by Tony Chung)

The 2007-2008 season was a season of new hope and new promise, and with that a new way of doing things. As the season began there were growing pains as the Little Cyclones were having to learn a completely new system, and it showed as they got off to an 0-4 start. After a home opening win against Cedar Rapids in November, the Little Cyclones would win four of their next 6 to get to 5-6. These streaks continued as they would lose 5 in a row going into the Holiday Season, before winning four in a row to sit at 9-11 in the middle of January going into the toughest part of the schedule. While the last third of the season yielded many great games, two one goal losses to the 3 time defending State champion Des Moines Oakleafs, and numerous other close calls against the top teams in the State, including a 2-2 tie on the road against the long time rival and state power Des Moines Capitals, it was not enough to get back to the State Tournament as the program finished 10-24-1-1. The 2007-2008 Little Cyclones were lead by first Team All League and All Star selection Jake Scebold who finished with 59 points, good for 6th in the entire Midwest High School Hockey League. The "red line" of Scebold, Austin Parle, and Rob Hable carried much of the offensive load for the Little Cyclones, as did senior defensive Captain Ryan Marrs. The "black line," lead by senior Captain Brady White, freshmen Cody Stettin and sophomore Sean Ranney, carried the responsibility of being the "shut down" line as they were routinely asked to shut down the opposing teams' best players, and did so admirably. The 2007-2008 Little Cyclones and its senior class of Brady White, Thomas Berg, Sasha Beresnev, Tim Schafer, Mark Graeve, Rob Hable, Jon Feigl and Sean McClain have laid a foundation for future success, and with a talented core returning, the Little Cyclones will look to get back to the State Tournament once again in 2008-2009.



Row 1 - B. Jones, T. White, J. Scebold, J. Hopper, L. Monstrom, R. Sailsbury, T. Weiss, T. Linder, M. Graeve. Row 2 - Coach Beck, Coach Larson, K. Ranney, T. Settin, R. Hampe, T. Berg, A. Rensch, S. Ranny, T. Schaffer, C. Stettin, Z. Lenhart, Team Manager M. Rensch, S. Jones. Row 3 - Ass. Head Coach Linder, Coach Rodgers, J. Feigl, A. Parle, B. White, R. Marrs, J. Anderson, D. Parle, S. McClain, Team Rep. T. Scebold, Head Coach Schmale. Not Pictured - E. Gildermaster, D. Jensen, Z. Moorman, R. Hable, P. Beresnev.



HI MOM!!! - Pointing at the crowd, senior Brady White celebrates after scoring a goal dedicated to senior Jordan Bergman. (photo by Tony Chung)



Girls Basketball



Row 1 - Kylie Drzycimski, Trisha Nesbitt, Anna Ashley, Hannah Burt, Taylor Slotter **Row 2** - Lindsey Elliot, Brooke Wood, Emma Rathe, Jasmine Harris, Clare Kohler **Row 3** - Joel Sullivan, Ellen Hansen, Katie Marsden, Abby Adkins, Kionna Kellogg, Maura Owings, Chuck Stevens



Row 1 - Jasmine Harris, Kristin Gaffney, Gerri Jaeschke **Row 2** - Laura Reints, Emma Ravenscroft, Emma Rathe, CJ Cummings **Row 3** - Coach Jones, Ashley Williams, Bri Goodman, Robin Honeyman, Bri Taego, Clare Kohler

This has been a season of change for the AHS Girls Basketball team. The loss of so many 2007 senior graduates opened plenty of spots for up-and-coming underclassmen. "We did a lot of rebuilding this season," Coach Sullivan said. And the team did well, despite multiple injuries and the loss of many valued players. "We had a lot of new faces, but were able to finish on a good note," Sullivan said. "I'm really proud of the team." The freshmen have also done well this season. They put plenty of effort into their game and successfully completed the difficult transition from middle school to high school.

Record

AHS 55 - Indianola 40
 AHS 56 - Boone 42
 AHS 53 - Roosevelt 45
 AHS 50 - Urbandale 38
 AHS 48 - DM East 38
 AHS 53 - Marshalltown 42
 AHS 48 - Johnston 46
 AHS 85 - Mason City 49
 AHS 50 - Lincoln 41
 AHS 50 - Valley 49
 AHS 58 - Fort Dodge 40
 AHS 52 - Fort Dodge 33
 AHS 52 - Waukee 40
 AHS 47 - Dowling 42
 AHS 60 - Mason City 29
 AHS 74 - DM North 21
 AHS 41 - Valley 36
 AHS 62 - Fort Dodge 37
 AHS 36 - Ankeny 33
 AHS 44 - Hoover 24
 AHS 48 - Waukee 43
 AHS 45 - DM East 39
 AHS 41 - Roosevelt 44





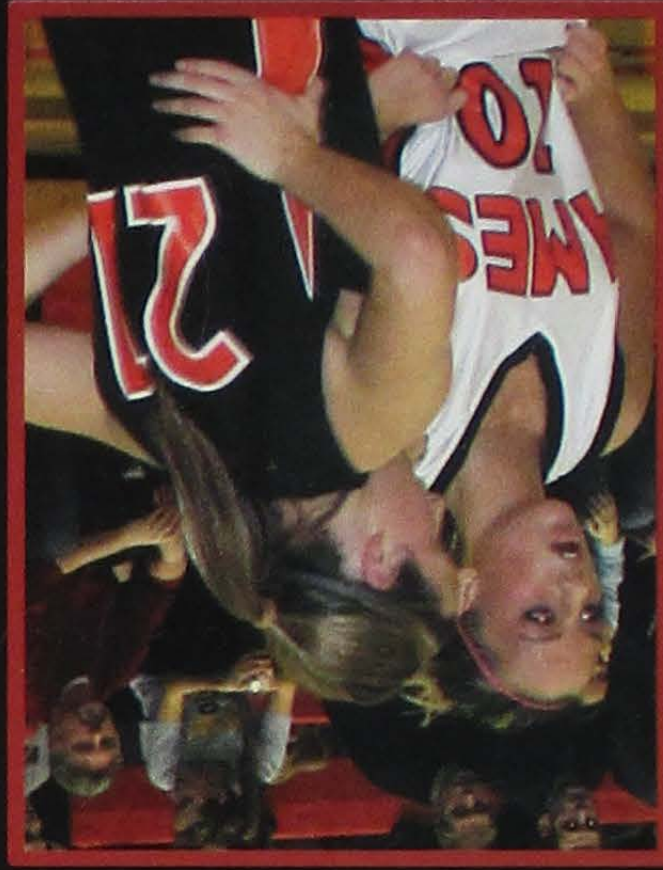
Row 1 - Julia Pfeiffer, Kim Richards, Morgan Nesbitt, Jordan Moore, Riley Van Marel Row 2 - Anna Hosen, Megan Streit, Brittney Ballentine, Christa Heiligenthal, Molly McGory, Whitney Haut, Eden Marek Row 3 - Coach Valerie Matters, Akina De Moss, Kristin Upah, Elizabeth Held, Rachel Boylan, Anna Frankl, Schoenrock, Hanna Vollbrecht, Ashley Kerns, Coach Ashley Welk



Contested 1 - Making a split second decision, Sophomore Kionna Kellogg makes a tough shot as members of the opposing team fear the worst. (photo courtesy of amessports.com)

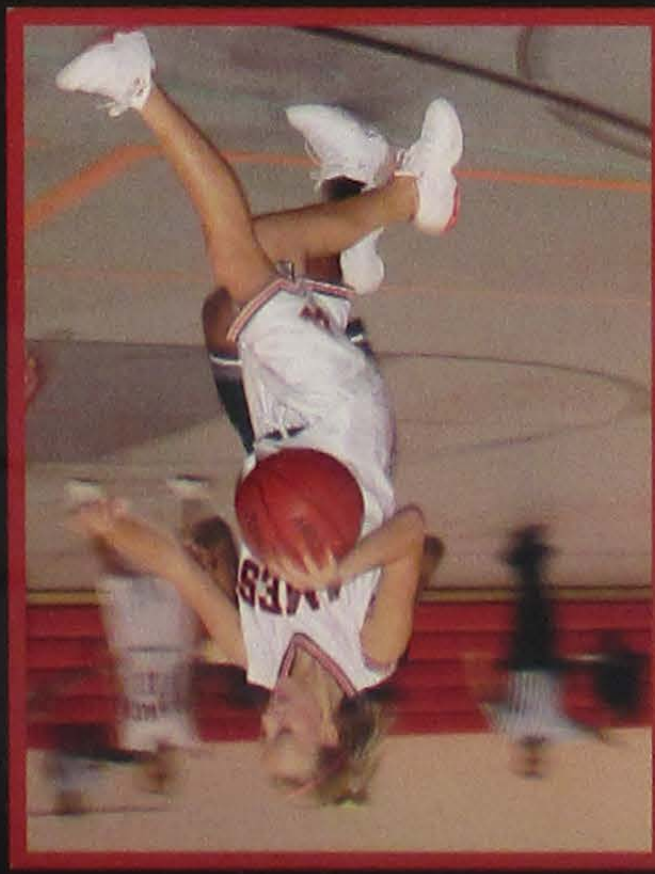


Back To the Drawing Board... - Regrouping during a time out, the freshman girls team talks strategy and teamwork. Team chemistry and friendship grew with each game of the season. (photo by Katrin Reinot)



Take a Breather - In the middle of a long and exhausting game, Junior Trisha Nesbitt takes a minute to consider her next move. (photo courtesy of amessports.com)

Freshman



Running Towards Victory - Driving to the hoop in hopes of elevating her team to victory, freshman Hanna Vollbrecht puts her all into the game. (photo by Katrin Reinot)



And One? - Concentrating intensely on the game, the varsity squad anxiously awaits the outcome of a free-throw. Once a free-throw is made, the girls on the bench show their support with a dance in unison. (photo courtesy of amessports.com)

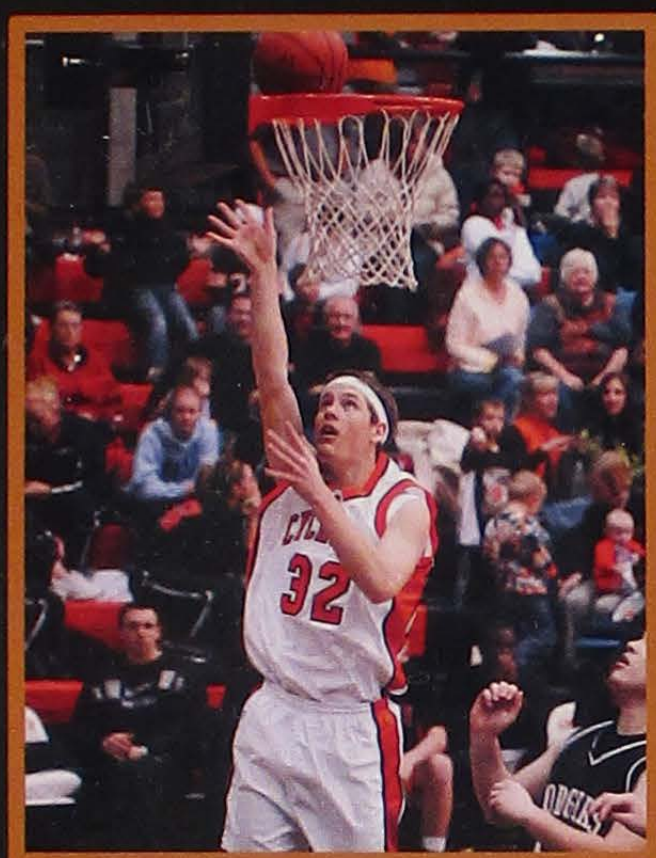


B.E.E.F. - Demonstrating perfect form, sophomore Emma Rathe watches the ball all the way through the basket. (photo by Katrin Reinot)

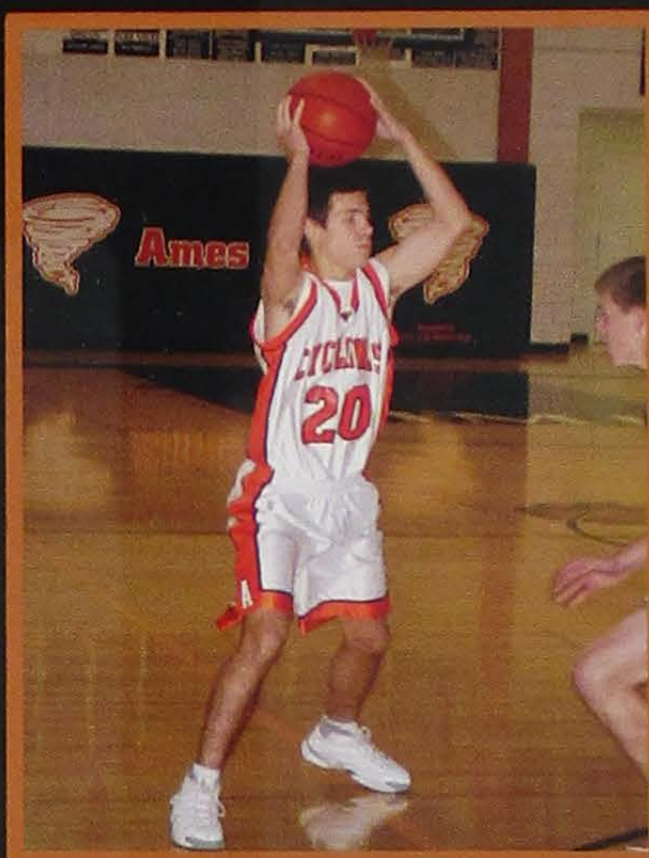
Boys' Basketball



First Row - Ryan Kenyon, Ryan McGowan, Tyler Crandell, Theo Riggerberg, Michael Weber, Bubu Palo, Marty Pick, Nick Toben
Second Row - Jordan Burgason, Sam Bird, James Kohler, Ross Ellrich, Ben Cotton, Harrison Barnes, Jairus Davis, Jesse Pritchard



Pick and Roll - Jumping to make a basket, senior **Sam Bird** slips by a Fort Dodge Dodger to add another two points to the score board. (photo by Tony Chung)



Hands Up - Being guarded by an Urbandale Jay Hawk, senior **Theo Riggerberg** prepares to pass the ball to a cutting teammate. (photo by Tony Chung)

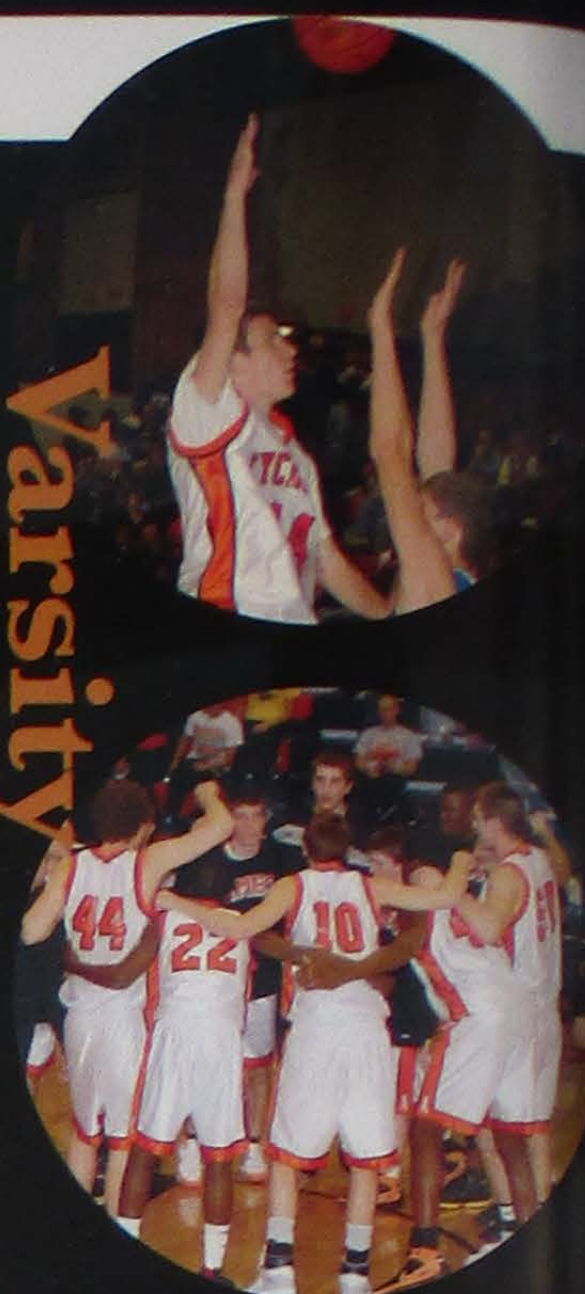
Basketball season at Ames High is a very exciting time of year. Everyone from the incoming freshmen to the returning varsity players get pumped up for the games. As of mid-season, sophomore coach Rob Kain had only good things to say about his team, "We're just trying to keep getting better right now. The boys are working hard every day trying to achieve our goals of an undefeated season and a conference championship." The varsity team also had a very successful 2007-2008 season. "The players have been outstanding this season. I am very proud of the team, especially the seniors," Coach Downs said. Some select junior varsity players also have the privilege of playing on the varsity team. "It is a lot of fun going to the basketball games because you can yell and scream. I also like supporting my team," junior **Daniel Lanning** said.

Record

Total 20 - 3

AHS 80 - DM Roosevelt 50
AHS 62 - Urbandale 37
AHS 93 - DM East 54
AHS 68 - Marshalltown 76
AHS 64 - Johnston 49
AHS 83 - Mason City 43
AHS 64 - WDM Valley 46
AHS 96 - Fort Dodge 40
AHS 56 - Marshalltown 46
AHS 74 - Waukee 56
AHS 70 - Dowling Catholic 46
AHS 75 - Mason City 34
AHS 98 - DM North 48
AHS 69 - WDM Valley 42
AHS 64 - Fort Dodge 40
AHS 65 - DM Hoover 46
AHS 64 - Waukee 59
AHS 60 - Ankeny 56
AHS 70 - Indianola 47
AHS 81 - DM North 56
AHS 50 - Marshalltown 51

Varsity

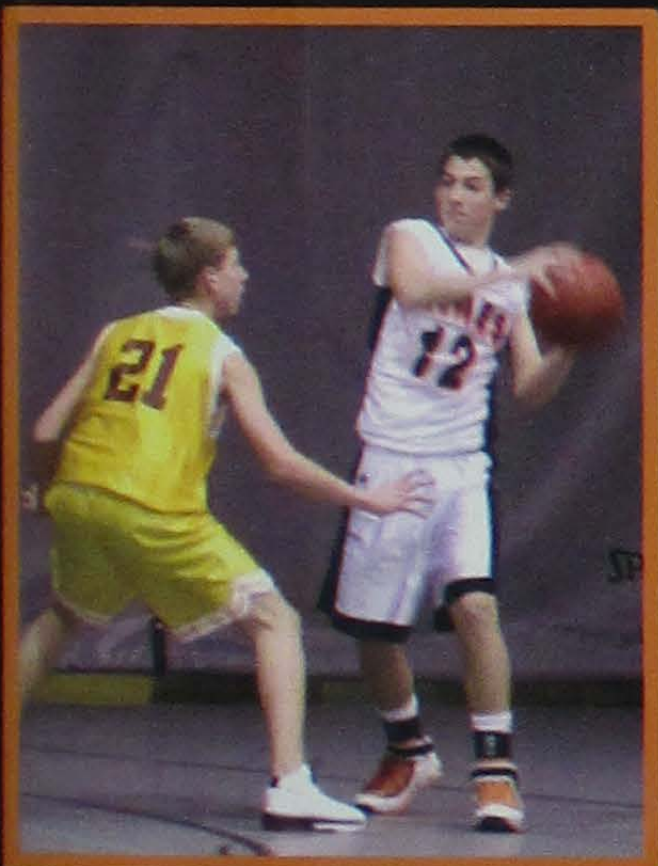




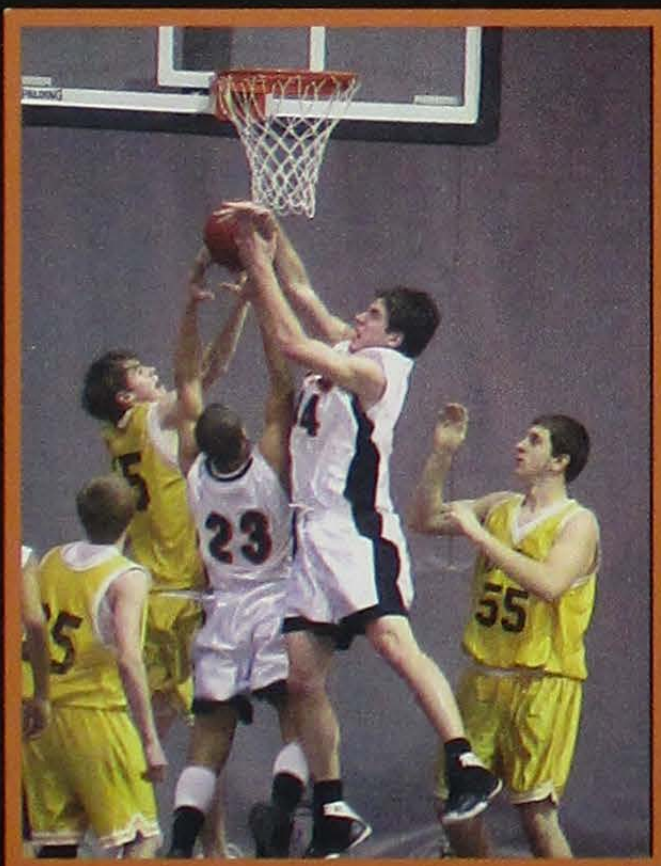
Row - Nathan Hurley, Bernard Brisco, Kyle Martin, Hayden Eustachy, David Lewis, James Wandling, Tanner Hansen Second Row - Coach Schweigert, Austin Adkins, Doug McDermott, Kyle Rodgers, Will Frantzen, Jake Cotton, Riley Stuve, Coach Kain



Row - Justice Buckles, Eric Smith, Jordan Best, Justin Webber, Kyle Anderson Second Row - Craig Burgerson, Jewel Khan, Don Thompson, Jordan Wright, Leon Tyler, Theodor Wierson Third Row - Kris Stow, Zak, Cole Rutherford, Malcolm Squire, Dillion Konar, Nathan Cruise, Darren Blum

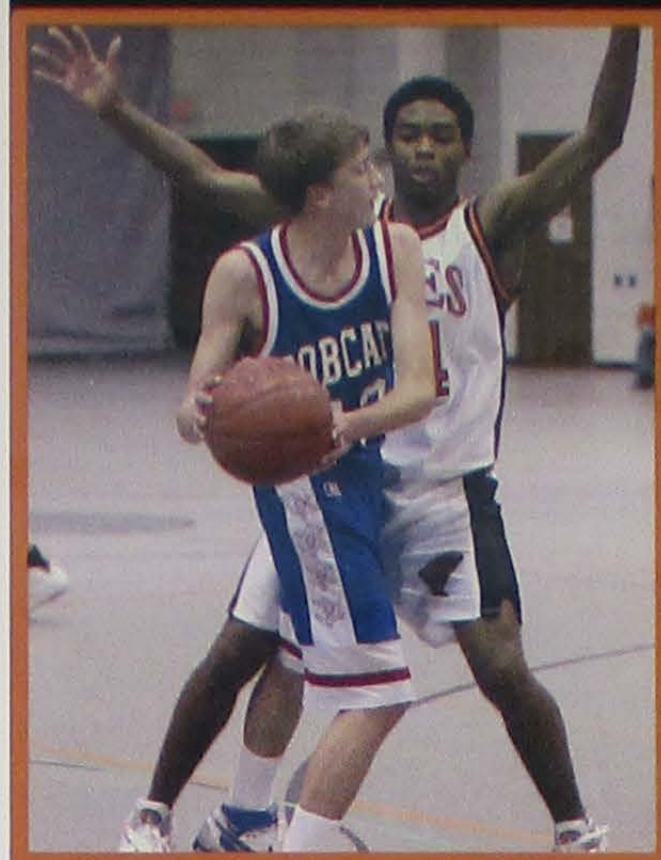


Keep Away - Protecting the ball from the opposing team, freshman **Kyle Anderson** holds the ball securely. (photo by Leah Hansen)



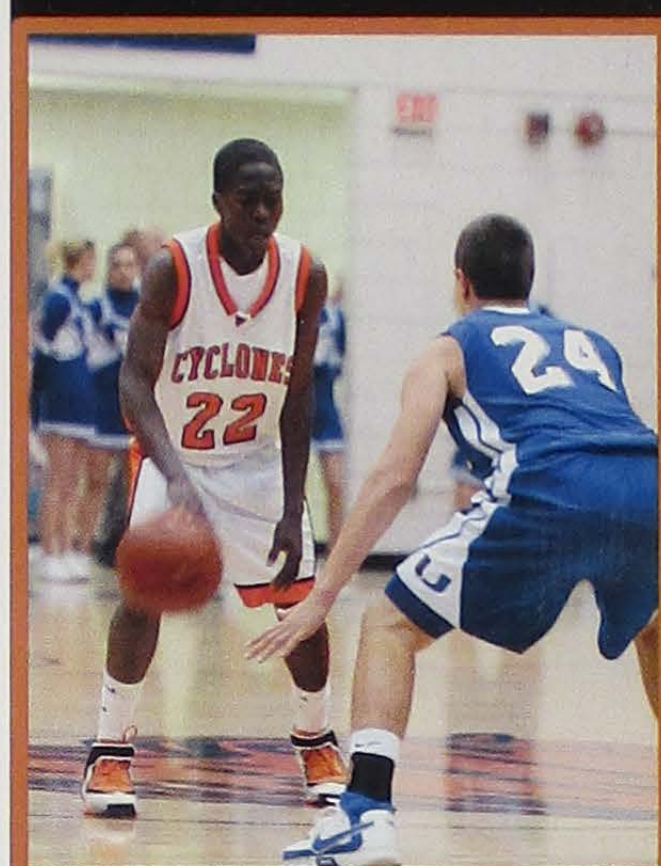
Rebound - Stealing the ball away, freshman **Dylan Larson-Konar** rebounds the ball in their game against Ankeny. (photo by Leah Hansen)

Sophomore

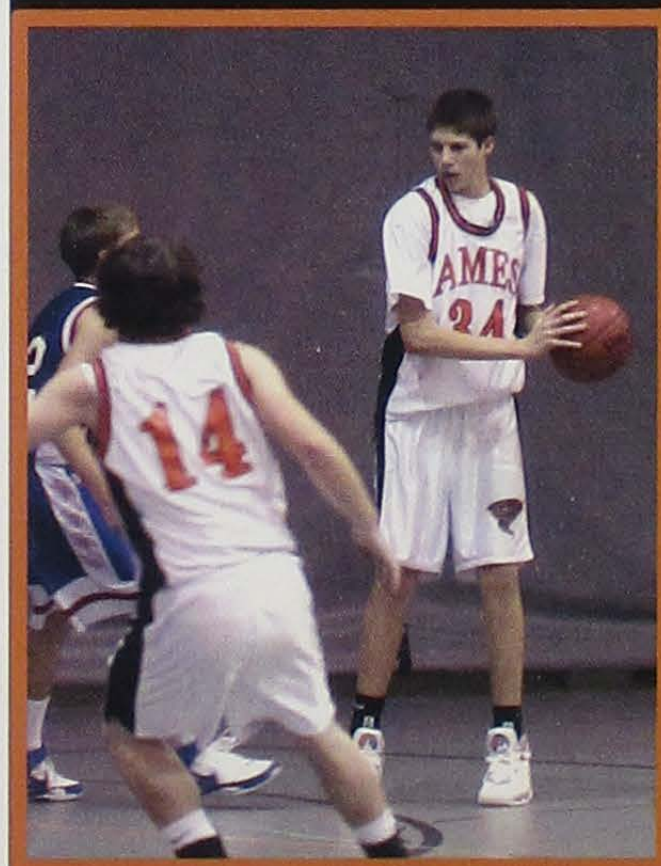


None Shall Pass - Guarding a bobcat team member, sophomore **James Wandling** makes an impenetrable wall with his body. (photo by Leah Hansen)

Freshman



Stare Down - Psyching out the other team, junior **Bubu Palo** prepares to make a run for the basket. (photo by Tony Chung)



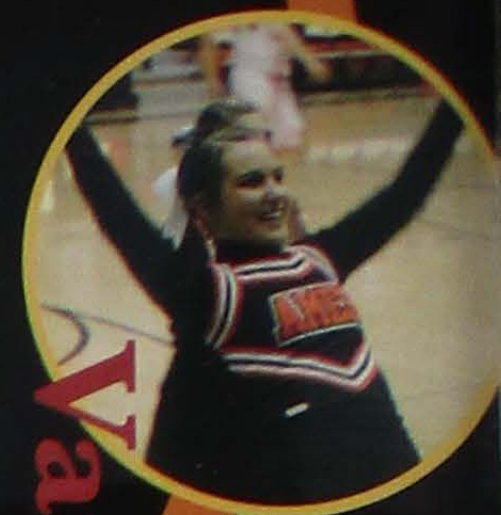
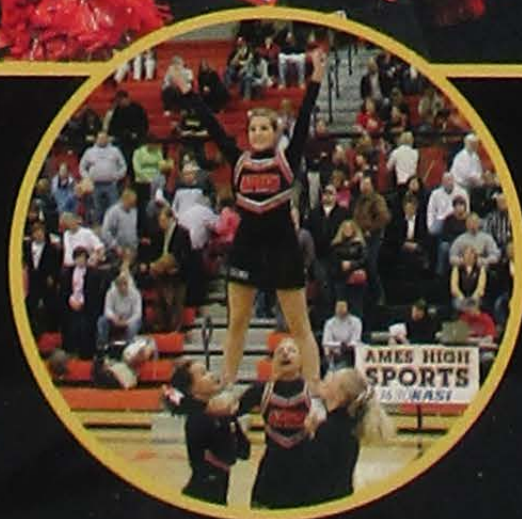
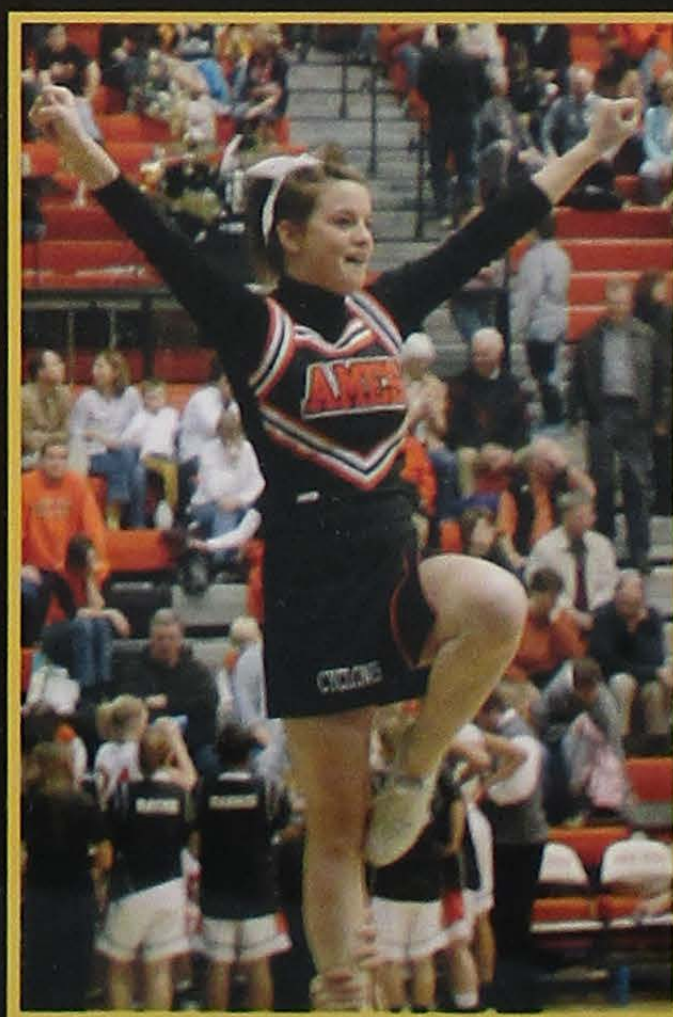
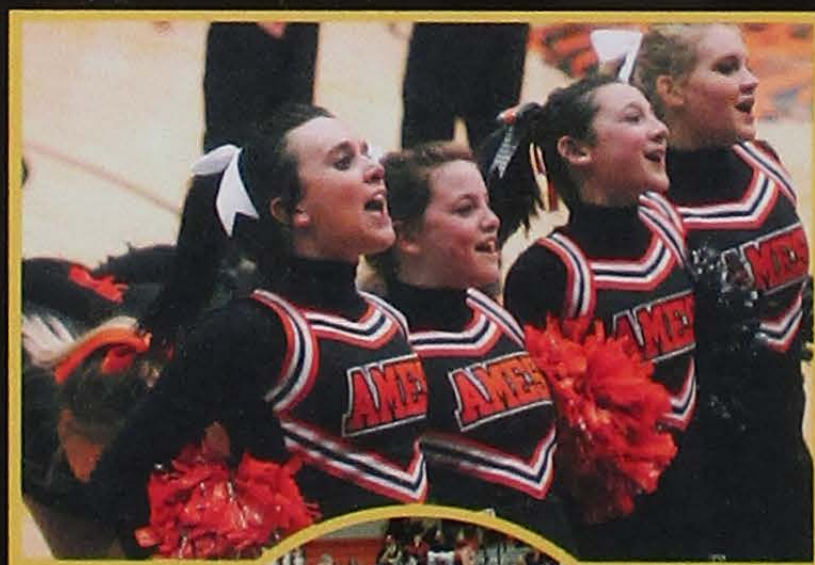
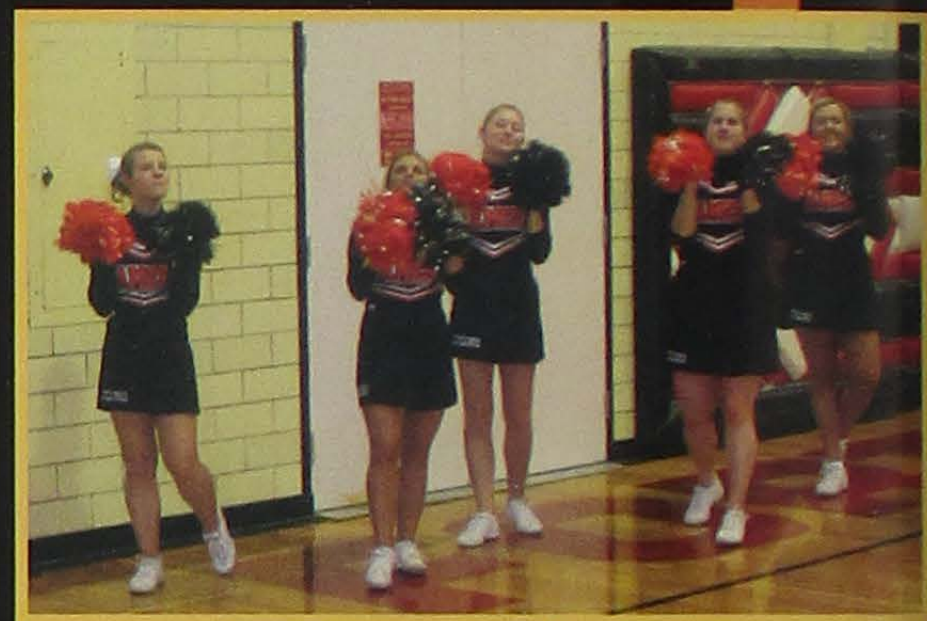
Defense! - Preparing to make a pass, sophomore **Doug McDermott** searches for an open teammate. (photo by Leah Hansen)

Winter Cheerleading



Row 1 - Neo Mazar, Katie Trickle, Mercedes Mickelson, Malori Brause, Autumn Thompson, Mollie Bourke, Cherie Wandling Row 2 - Melissa Gillen, Paige Rasmussen, Megan Grummer, Julia Hanson, Nikki Best, Sydney Brause, Karrisssa Allyn, Julia Stone, Ashley Hoversten, Brittany Twizelton Row 3 - Coach Timms, Anya Robson, Kelli Barrett, katlyn Humlicek, Raeanna Reckemier, Jordan Campbell, Kinsey Belz, Jessica White, Sarah Kirts, Alex Lyons, Jessica King, Becca Voss

This year's Winter Cheer Squad consisted of three Varsity squads, one Junior Varsity squad, and two Freshman squads. The Winter Cheer Squad cheered 129 regular season games. They also cheered three sessions of State Wrestling, as well as boys' and girls' Basketball post season games. -Coach Timms





Row 1 - Michelle Gibson, Audrey Benck, Anna Baumgartner, Dree Brakke, Rebecca [unclear], Kimberly Anderson, Taylor Schram



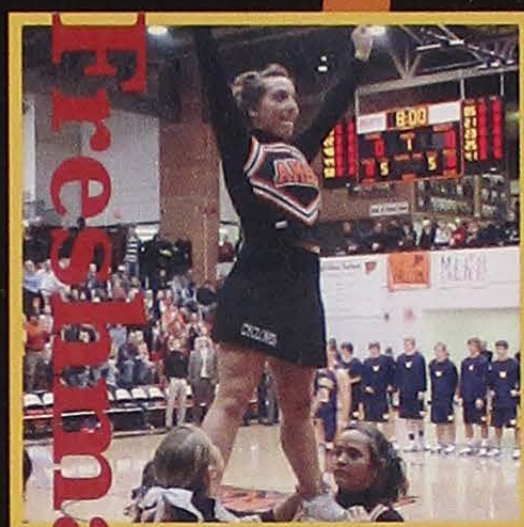
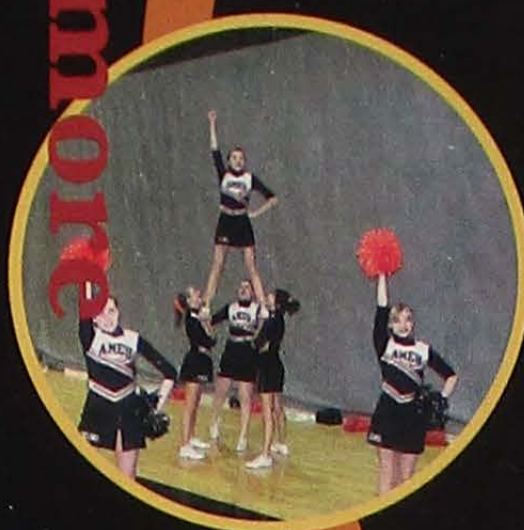
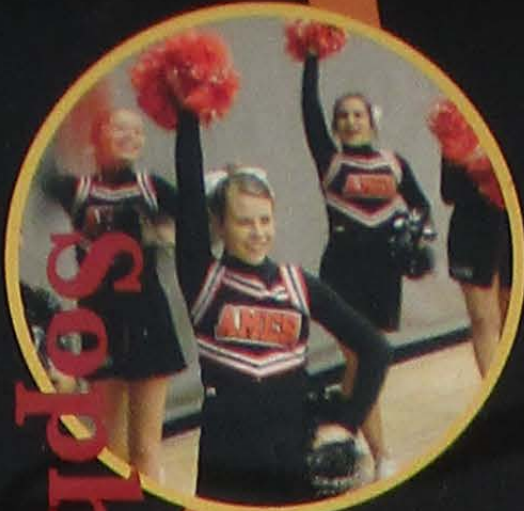
Row 1 - Melissa Munkvold, Caitlin Fox, Madison Mickelson, Talia Christian Row 2 - Chelsea Jorgensen, Margaret Miller, Shannon Dougherty, Chelsea Milan, Elizabeth Pribyl Row 3 - Alison Church, Loralyn Werkmeister, Marisa Streit, Hanbi Lee, [unclear] Schliesman



Team is Dynamite! - Cheering the Cyclones through another win, the Varsity white squad pumps up the crowd. (Photo by Kendra Moloney)

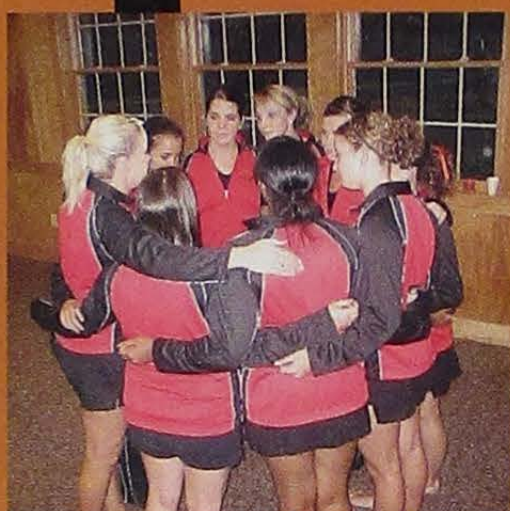


Teach You How to Stunt- Lifting senior Mallory Brause into the air, the Ames High varsity cheer squad performs a stunt during a break in the games. (photo by Kendra Moloney)



Sophomore
Freshman

DRILL TEAM



Row 1 - Mallory Sorenson, Ashley McFarland, Paige Olson, Nikki Kerns, Lauren Naeve, Larissa Jones, Lauren Davis, Connie Sikini **Row 2** - Jamie Consamus, Megan Gaul, Allison Hamilton, Regan Davis, Chrissy Jones, Maddie Anderson, Paige Swift, Katlyn Milligan, Amanda Johnson **Row 3** - Natalie Enloe, Jordan Bundy, Kristin Norris, Taylor Song, Kate Gibson, Judy Syrkin-Nikolau, Hailey Mayes, Cathy Pastiak **Row 4** - Kim Wipf, Emily Foegen, Christi Ling, Mel Huisman, Jackie Mason, Jenna Berg, Allison Clem, Coach Sarah Buss

The Drill Team consists of two squads, Silver and Gold. They are coached by Sarah Buss and assistant coached by Chasity Taylor. The difference between the squads is that the Silver squad has more technique choreographed into their routines and the Gold squads routines include hip-hop, pom, and props. The drill team practices start at the beginning of June and they finish their season in April. They competed at State on November 31st in six categories. The Silver squad competed in Lyrical, Jazz, and Kick. The Gold squad competed Hip-Hop, Pom, and Novelty. Novelty is a category that includes props and has a very pronounced theme to which the song, costumes, and choreography relate. The Drill Team also performed at the pre-game and half time shows of the Outback Bowl in Tampa, Florida. During basketball season both squads perform at the half time of the home Varsity games. The games make up most of the season for the girls. The games are also the main events in which the community can watch the girls perform their routines. This year has been one of the few years that the Drill Team did not include an All-Male squad and a Coed dance.





Below Left - The Silver squad performs Jazz to the song "I Gotcha" from the hit musical *Fosse*.
 Below Right Top - sophomore **Jenna Burg** and junior **Jackie Mason** hold sophomore **Regan Davis** in the splits while performing their Kick routine to the song "Emerald City" from the hit musical *Wicked*. (photo courtesy of Craig Carrol)



The Gold squad in their end formation of Pom at their performance for family and friends the night before State. The song for this routine is "You Can't Stop the Beat" from the hit musical and movie *Hairspray*. (photo by Tony Chung)



Row 1 - Bosung Kim, Adam Tyler, Joel Rosenberg, Alex Kunvatanagarn, Theisen Sanders, Eric Sung, Deepak Premkumar, Sam Frishman, Peter Yin, Adam Hoeffler, Chris Hinojo, Nirvan Tyagi Row 2 - Scott MacDonald, Tony Chung, Akshay Sanghi, Ben Nadler, Jewell Khan, Brandon Friederich, Albert Cho, Kavin Kanthasamy, Michael Misra, Alex Askew, Max Peterson Row 3 - Jay Lee, Pasha Beresnev, Daniel Park, Luke Bauer, Alan Guo, Kris Sto, Ezra Hart, Victor Crnkovic, Miles Greenwald, Dylan Clark, Stephen Bergeson, Chris Elsenbast Row 4 - Ryan Larson, Cliff Chang, Justin Tylka, Cashew, Chris Xin, Shawn Bergeson, Matt McGrory, Coach Derek Tallman, Coach JT Vogel, Drew Minnick, David Kang, Eric Garasky, Max Tsai, Hunter Peterson



Boys' Tennis

Having such a young team did not seem to stop the Ames High Girls' Tennis team. The girls had an amazing season going undefeated and winning the conference title. Despite the many delays during the season, the girls toughed it out and brought their best, which made them one of the best teams in the state. The team, led by **Coach Len Thiede** and **Assistant Coach Jesse Von Behren**, took five girls to the state tournament. The girls who earned this honor were: in singles, sophomore **Evelyn Qin**, and in one doubles team, seniors **Frances Xin** and **Leigh Howell** and in the second team, senior **Robin Parlade** and freshman **Diane Wang**. The girls team fought through a tough three days of playing individual state and team state. As individuals, **Evelyn Qin** placed third in singles, and doubles team **Frances Xin** and **Leigh Howell** placed fourth. These individuals, along with the rest of the varsity squad, led the girls to the finals in team state where the team ended as runner-up to the Boone Team. Overall, it was a spectacular season with more to look forward to next year.

Having three different coaches the past four years can be tough to deal with; but when you have players this good it doesn't seem to matter. Of the ten varsity players, eight played indoors all year round at the Ames Tennis Academy. The boys' tennis team had a spectacular season having only one loss to Valley. The season was delayed with the continuous rain and horrible weather. However, the boys were fueled with energy by the young team and proved to be a strong one at that. Winning the district title, the team took sophomore **Chris Xin** for the second year in a row and freshman **Cliff Chang** as singles to the state tournament and also took a doubles team consisting of senior **Tony Chung** and junior **Miles Greenwald** for the second time. Later, the team also became Sub-State champions, overcoming Carroll Keumper and Ankeny for the title in a 5-4 win. All the individuals making it to state finished in the 12th to 16th range in the state. The biggest accomplishment by far all year is placing fourth in the team state tournament. This is the first time in seven years that the boys team has made it to the final four in the state.

Girls' Tennis



Row 1 - Erica Anderson, Paizen Ku, Janess Delaney, Diane Wang, Avanthi Ajjarapu, Holl Nguyen, Anna Baumgartner, Mitchell Yoo Row 2 - Sandy Huang, Meredith Stabel, Elli Weiss, Adriana Pitcher, Evelyn Qin, Har Yoon, Katherine Klingseis Row 3 - Laure Scott, Leigh Howell, Frances Xin, Brittan Sink, Teewara Methiyapun, Jesse Von Behren, Len Thiede, Robin Honeyman, Tara Randall, Katie Isebrands, Amy Zhong, Robin Parlade, Jori Wandling



Down Time - Resting after a long day of tennis, the girls' tennis team takes a much needed break. (photo courtesy of Taylor Chung)



Pop It - swinging at a forehand return, junior **Miles Greenwald** hits a stinger back to his opponent. (photo courtesy of Taylor Chung)



Dig It Out - Stretching for a ball, senior **Frances Xin** slices a ball back to her opponent during the individual state tournament. (photo by Tony Chung)

(photos courtesy of Frances Xin, Leigh Howell, Taylor Chung, and Tony Chung)



LOOK! - Watching other teammates, freshmen **Corey Thompson** and **Davis Dixon** and sophomore **Devonte Welch** point at the track. (photo by Katrin Reinot)



Run, Run, Run As Fast As You Can - Getting ready to pass the baton, junior **Anna Ashley** runs down the track. (photo courtesy of Anna Ashley)



Clear It! - Showing off his impressive athleticism, sophomore **Harrison Barnes** clears the bar on the high jump. (photo by Anna Ashley)



1 - K. Saylor, K. Dunn, B. Schweikert, B. King, K. Norris, T. Biswas, K. Dietrich, S. Sharpe, C. Iles, A. Smith Row 2 - A. Suen, Milan, T. Hawley, A. Thompson, M. Brause, Sylvan, M. Liu, K. Becraft, B. Brown Row 3 - J. Knudel, K. Adams, Coach Sullivan, Coach Plantine, Coach Cogdill, Coach Schmaltz, Coach Smith, Coach Matters, K. Ranney, C. Row 4 - K. Williams, N. Williams, T. Enblock, J. Harris, L. Naeve, S. Hupalo, Miller, M. Grasky, L. Wyckoff, J. Rollins Row 5 - S. Brause, K. Anderson, A. Jackson, L. Pett, A. Gerritson, M. Miller, M. Mickelson, Wandling, B. Rial, A. Lyons, M. Anderson Row 6 - A. Block, E. Ravenscroft, N. Best, M. re, M. Anderson, M. Schliesman, A. Ashley, Nesbitt, L. Grant, M. Bunting, D. Brakke, Amaya Row 7 - S. Warth, E. Boydston, K. l, A. Williams, A. Eregbu, B. Wood, K. Kelg, L. Gehring, J. Berg, G. Tesdall, A. Tim Row 8 - S. Fritaeil, P. Gwiasda, M. Gibson, Olsen, J. Wright, E. Hansen, A. Adkins, R. ber, S. Soh, N. Clayberg, B. Loughren



Girls' Track



Boys' Track

AMES HIGH  **LITTLE CYCLONES**



Row 1 - B. Leibold, B. Woeful, D. Accola, A. Lelonek, B. Steelman, K. Bergman, P. Heiligen-thal, R. Miller, D. Evens, D. Keeling, N. Scallon, Manager Galdriel Comito Row 2 - P. Hibbing, M. Gilarski, R. Tierney, D. Brown, D. Lanning, A. James, T. Fair, D. Lee, L. Swalla, D. Blum, A. Jacobson, M. Ludemann Row 3 - Coach Pelzer, T. Noorgard, Thomas Eslinger, R. Jones, T. Gehring, Z. Hurd, A. Kapun, A. McVey, T. Rush, D. Dixon, C. Thompson, C. Shriver, Coach Lawler Row 4 - Coach Vertanen, J. Harness, D. Schaffer, Q. Ring, C. Brakke, T. Crandell, J. Kemis, A. Schill, D. Tim, J. Wandling, S. Wiedemeir, K. Anderson, D. Berg, Coach Mooney Row 5 - Coach Sletten, M. Bonestoo, T. Clark, M. Pick, B. Pyle, K. Ranney, N. Cruise, A. Rohlf, R. Burke, A. Gaffney, K. Gunnerson, J. Kokemiller, L. Bird, S. Breitling-Garlington, Coach Duea Row 6 - J. Kohler, J. Cotton, H. Barnes, S. Bird, B. Cotton, N. Toben, L. Haverkamp, S. Tim, B. Novey, S. Smalley, T. Geske, R. Tucker, A. Giebelstein

Girls' Soccer



Row 1 - A. Johnson, M. Dickson Row 2 - A. Kaspar, L. Reints, E. Marek, A. Michellini, E. Rathe, H. VanEvery, A. Frankel, A. Linanhon Row 3 - J. Eggert, C. Heiligenthal, K. Richards, K. Carney, K. Drzycimski, H. Crum, A. Metzger, A. Mayberry Row 4 - Coach Graham



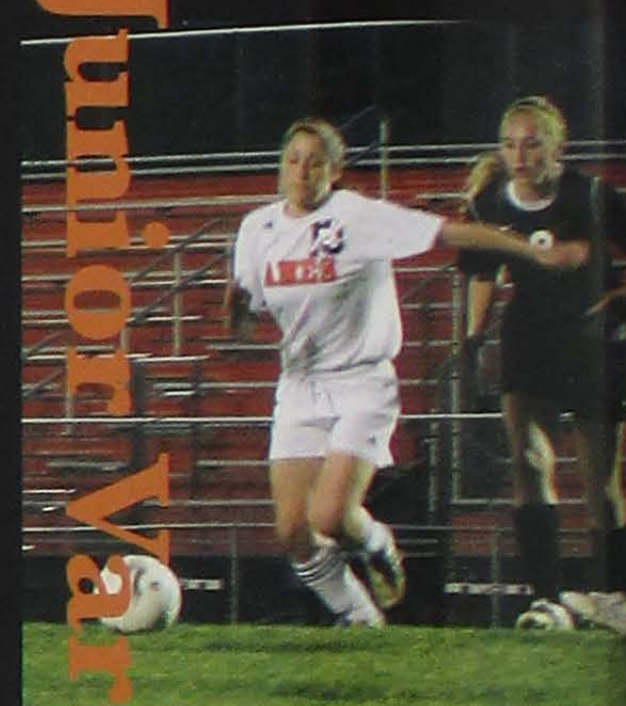
Row 1 - S. Wells, K. Tylka, J. Magnuson, J. Rahn, A. James, K. Allyn, W. Flomo, M. Jackson Row 2 - K. Vosberg, J. Korf, A. Hoversten, C. Dantas, K. Hopper, A. Sargent, N. Larson, K. Warning Row 3 - Coach Jones, K. Engelken, C. Cummings, M. Mwanki, A. Evans, K. Stenback, M. Anselman Not Pictured - S. Courneya, J. Bundy, E. Unal.

Following the end of the 2008 season, varsity coach Kenny Graham was more than satisfied. This year's team was predominately underclassmen, but their 9-3 record shows their dedication to the sport and their hard work. Coach Graham was impressed by how quickly they were able to mature and bond as a team. This year's junior varsity team increased exponentially in the number of players, which proved positive with their successful season. Despite a few setbacks due to weather, the JV team was able to play every game scheduled, unlike many previous years. The freshman team adjusted well to their new coach, Holly Rodgers, and made the best of their season.

Record
AHS 3 - NHS 0
AHS 10 - DME 0
AHS 3 - IND 0
AHS 0 - VALLEY 4
AHS 5 - ROOS 0
AHS 0 - URBAN 5
AHS 4 - MCH 0
AHS 1 - MARSH 0
AHS 3 - FORT D 2
AHS 4 - SE POLK 0
AHS 0 - WAUK 4
AHS 4 - NEV 1

Varsity

Junior Varsity





Row 1 - L. Shanks, B. Schoenrock, G. Stevenson, K. Fox, T. Ring, S. Osman
Row 2 - Coach Rodgers, R. Van Marel, S. Mayberry, L. Kaloupek, J. Nowers, J. Pfeiffer, J. Norris
Row 3 - J. Bush, E. Simpson, J. Moore, A. Korf, A. Tate, A. Joerger



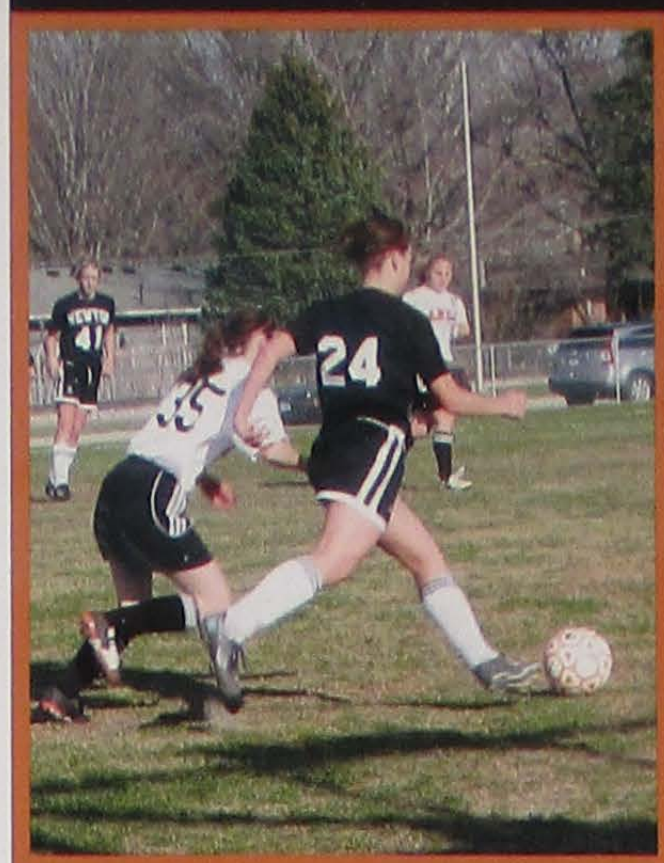
Go for the Prize - Going after the ball, junior **Ana Michellini** fights to gain dominance of the ball. The game ended with a victory for Ames after a intense shootout. (photo by Daniel Park)



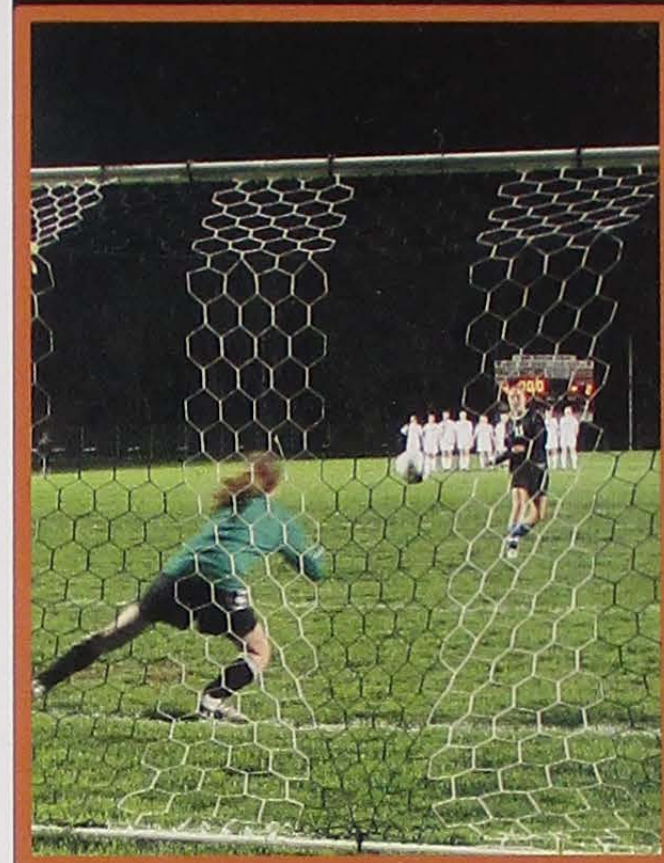
Step-Overs - Dribbling across the field, junior **Jerra Magnuson** prepares to pass the ball to her fellow teammate. (photo by Daniel Park)



Strong Touch - Sprinting towards victory, senior **JoAnna Eggert** attempts to make the most of her last year. (photo by Daniel Park)



Bodying Up - Chasing after an opposing Newton player, Ames attempts to reclaim the ball. (photo by Kaitlin Estill)



Shoot 'em out - Saving Ames during a penalty kick, junior **Angela Linanhon** springs into action. (photo by Daniel Park)



Sweeper Cleaning Up - Blocking the opponent, junior **Meredith Anselman** defends Ames territory. (photo by Kaitlin Estill)

Boys' Soccer



Row 1 - L. Taylor, E. Brunning, R. Cibils, B Jones, J. Vanderzwaag, N. Krause, E. Zahariev Row 2 -M. Schmidt, J. Bergman, A. Ritz, T. Ringgenberg, S. Kenne, E. Forsgren, E. Russell Row 3 - Coach Martinez, C. Liebman, A. Kenton, B. White, R. McGowan, L. Stevenson, M. Heitzman, Coach Zmolek

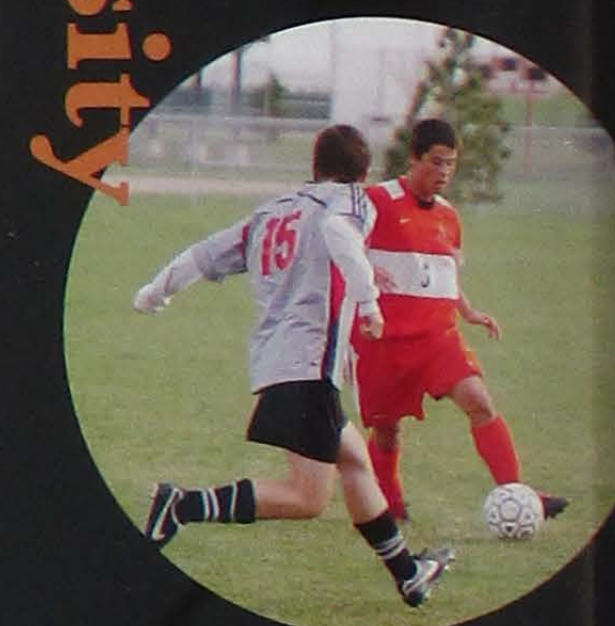
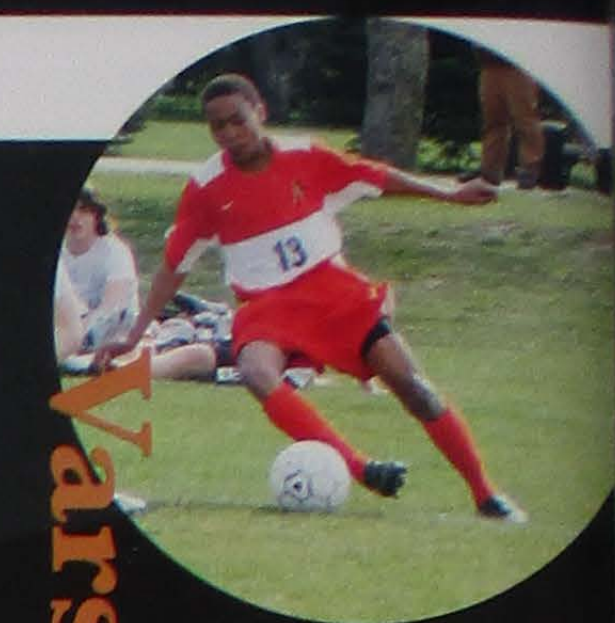


Row 1 - S. Hartman, D. Lewis, D. Navi, N. Lieber, M. Englin, D. Upreti, C. Dodge, M. Carter, I. Strohman, A. Kher Row 2 - T. Sejaan, S. Babcock, M. Bassanini, C. Kewell, J. DiSalvo, A. Moore, D. Parle, M. Lee, T.J. Firman, R. Wendt, S. Sandler Row 3 - Coach Ritz, J. Molina, D. Johnson, M. Ruske, N. Hurley, M. Mina, J. Anderson, A. Adkins, Z. Clipsham, J. Kaiser, J. Beavers, R. Marrs, Coach Amin

Spring brings many things to Ames High School: flowers, warmer weather, and to some it brings the start of the soccer season. Soccer begins with a week-long tryout, more commonly known as "hell week." Mr. Zmolek, the boys soccer coach, makes the players endure extended periods of sprinting, up-downs, push ups and other grueling physical tasks. The tryouts do serve a purpose, however, because they condition the players for a tiring season ahead. "The conditioning pays off in the end, because we can play harder in the last ten minutes than any other team," junior Aaron Kenten said. The team went into the year with four freshman on the varsity lineup and was anchored by only two returning seniors, Asa Ritz and Marc Heitzman. The team enjoyed success throughout the season, although many games were postponed and eventually canceled due to weather. After a crushing 2-1 defeat to Dowling in the sub-state finals, the young teams look forward to next year with high hopes.

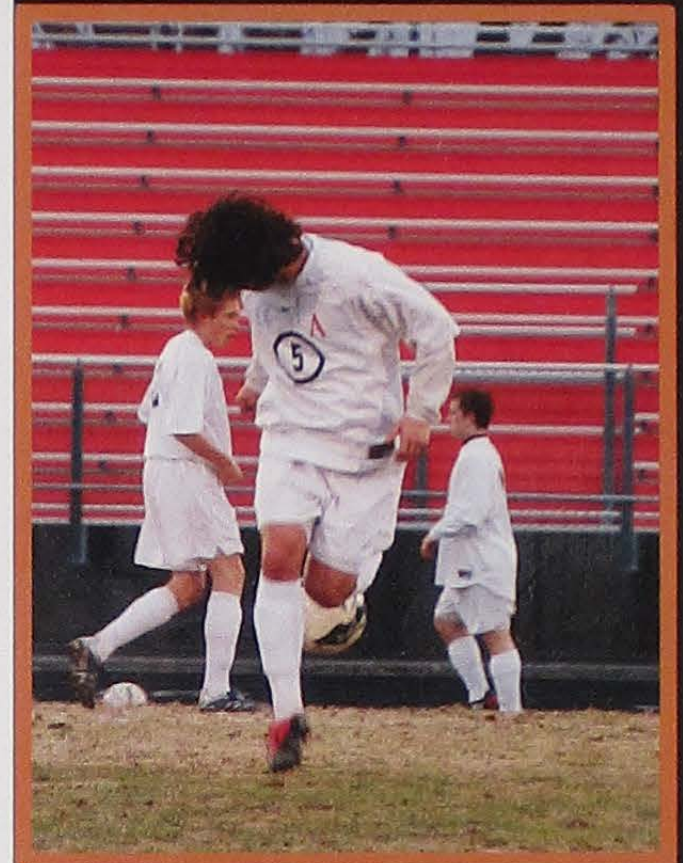
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Ames 5 - Indianola 0
Ames 2 - Roosevelt 3
Ames 10 - Mason City 1
Ames 0 - Valley 2
Ames 2 - D.M. East 1
Ames 7 - Fort Dodge 2
Ames 2 - Marshalltown 0
Ames 2 - Waukee 1
Ames 0 - Norwalk 2
Ames 2 - Fort Dodge 1
Ames 1 - Dowling Catholic 2



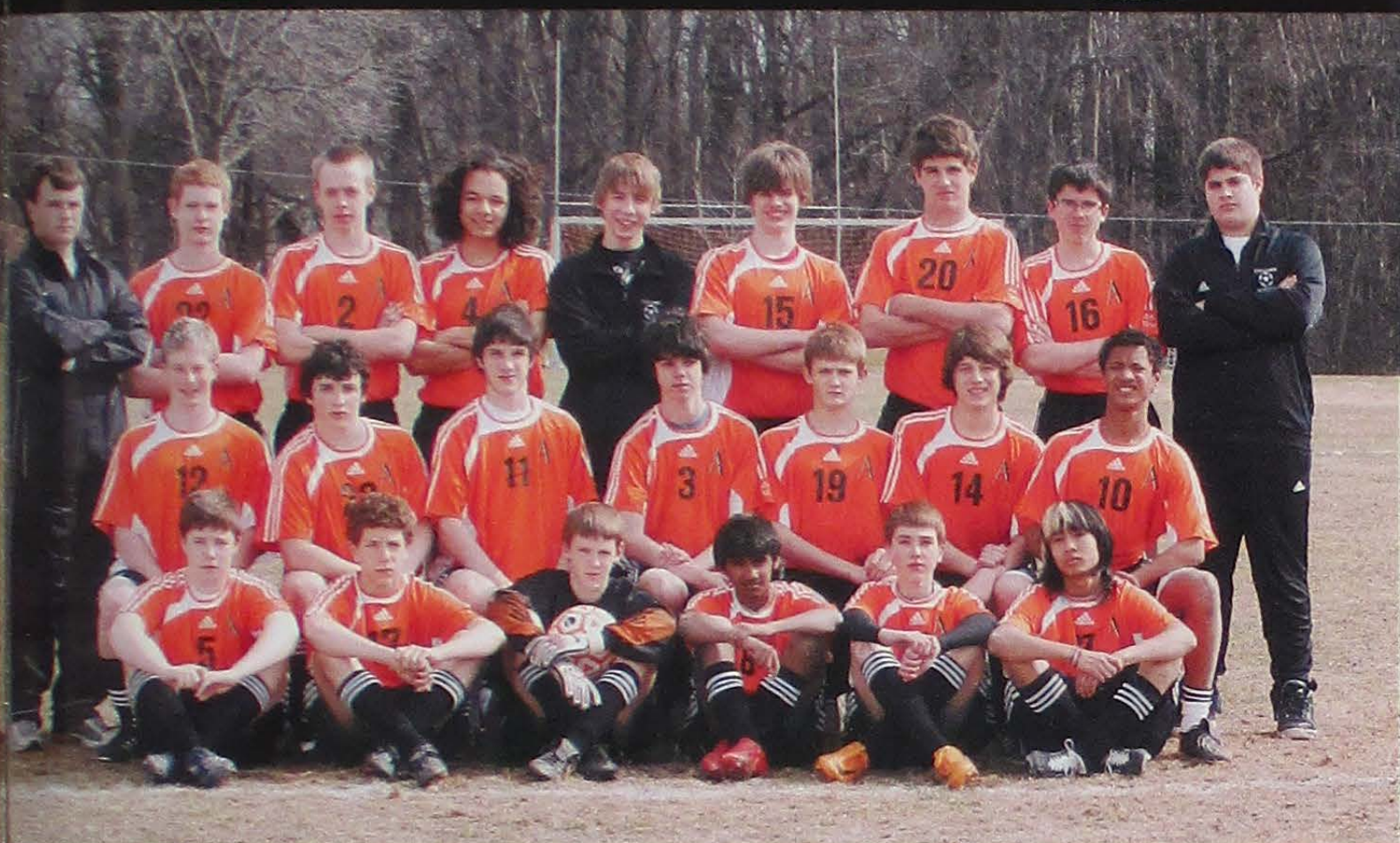


A Day at the Races - Sprinting past a defender, freshman **Andrew Barclay** dribbles around the defense. Speed was a crucial part of the freshman forward's gameplay. Most of the goals this season came on breakaways. (photo by Ralph Ackerman)



Juggling the Rainbow - Flicking the ball over his head, junior **Ricardo Cibils** practices ball handling and juggling skills before a varsity game. (photo by Jim Brunning)

Freshman



Row 1 - T. Ringgenberg, J. Linduska, V. Molian, A. Rover, A. Barclay Row 2 - B. Arklund, T. McKiernan, A. Ackerman, B. Jurenka, N. Runyon, N. Gardtner, J. Ober Row 3 - Coach Bobby, R. Brien, A. Heimisson, Z. Marion, K. Albers, P. Gway, D. Larson-Konar, C. Ogilvie, J. Wright-Schoenrock

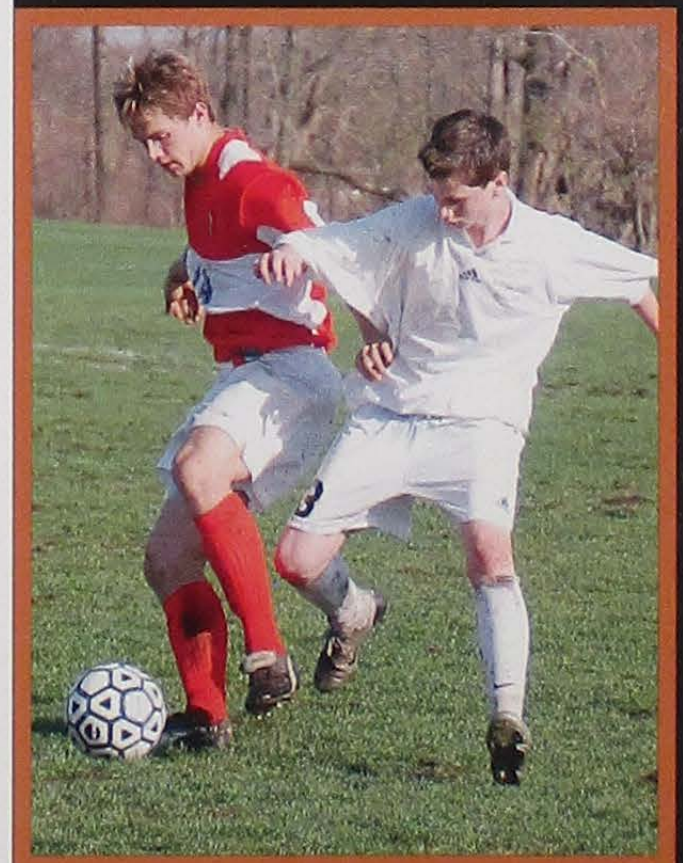
Quick Pocketed - Saving the ball from a shot on goal, sophomore **Nathan Hurley** protects goalie Michael Schmidt from the forward. The team's young defense consisted of two seniors and two underclassmen. (photo by Jim Brunning)



Mike Schmidt's Punch Out - Punching the ball out the box, junior **Michael Schmidt** cleans up the defense during a corner kick. Goalkeeper was a surplus position for the Ames High Soccer team with Michael Schmidt and freshman back-up Joe Linduska (photo by Jim Brunning)



Another One Bites the Dust - Stealing the ball from the defender, freshman **Aaron Ackerman** wins a crucial ball in mid-field. Strong midfield play was an advantage the freshman team had over most opponents. (photo by Ralph Ackerman)



Dancing With the Star - Shielding the defender with his body, senior **Marc Heitzman** keeps possession of the ball in spite of being well defended. Heitzman was captain of the team. (photo by Jim Brunning)

Baseball

Varsity



Row 1 - Jake Zunkel, Iss Strohmman, Ian Price, Matthew Skarshaug, Tyler Craddell, Andy Weiss, Matt V Winkle Row 2 - Kyle Tegle, Ryan Gehlsen, Spencer Cruise, Cody Thompson, Jason "J-Dan" Adair, Jason Kemis, Pat McCormick Row 3 - Coach Weiss, Marty Pick, Jessie Pritchard, James Kohler, Zeke Musselman, Steven Bunting, Jamie Smith, Coach Bappe

Sophomore



Team Members : Kyle Anderson, Matthew Bonestroo, Christopher Christensen, Tanner DeKovic, Tyler Dockstader, Bradley Forth, Joshua Gorman, Brett Hanson, Eric Houl, Nathan Hurley, Alex Miller, Sephen Pearson, Ryan Riley, Eric Terry, Michael William

Freshman



Row 1 - Ron Wengert, Al Johnson, Donny Lapietra, Matthew Blakely, Zach Monroe, Cade Thompson, Kevin Row Row 2 - Spencer Clemens, Matt Winkleblack, Zach Anderson, Luke Davis, Kean Roberts, Lane Peterson Row 3 - Coach Bergerm, Alex McVey, Harley Baker, Cam Bridges, Taylor Linder, Kevin Ranney, Brammer, Chris La Mar, Coach Shahidi



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Varsity

Softball



Row 1 - Laura Drum, Katie Uhde, Katie Wallace, Molly Moore, Emma Denning, Lexi Hill Row 2 - Kayla Rock, Hannah Evans, Hunter Stohlmeyer, Clare Kohler, Caitlin Anderson Row 3 - Coach Weber, Madison Mickelson, Abbey Atkins, Brooke Wood, Anna Ashley, Coach Gorman

Sophomore



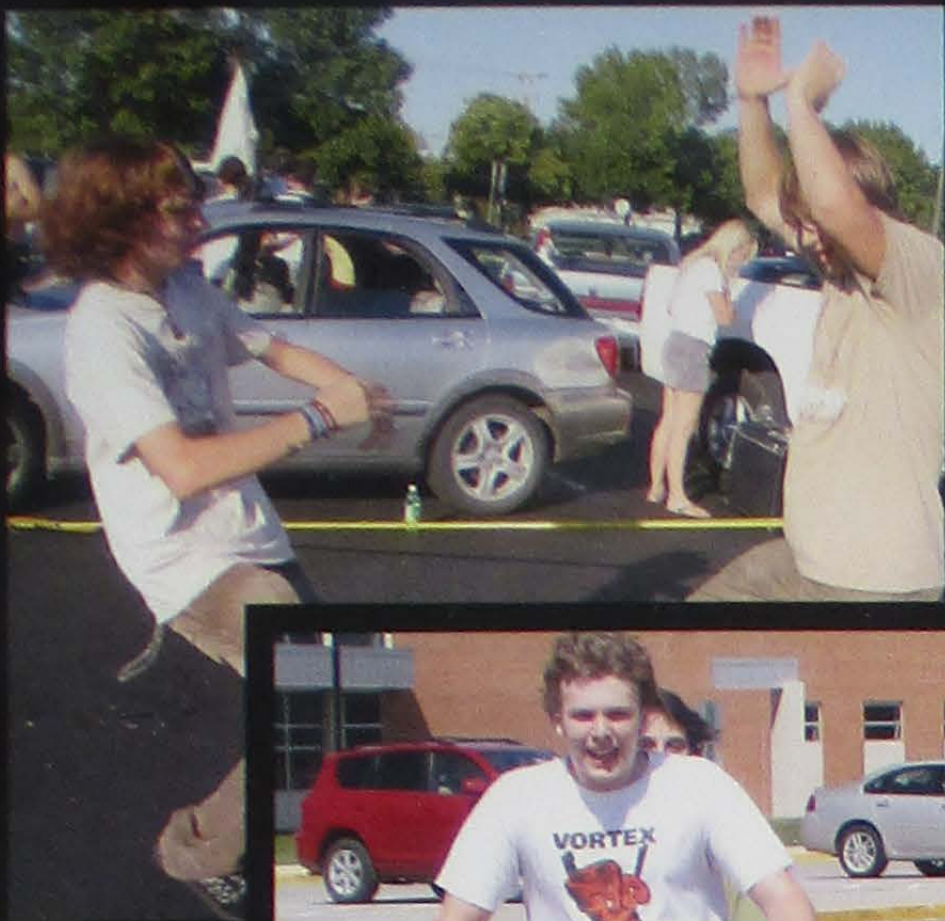
Row 1 - Ellie Bryant, Katie Wallace, Chole Iles, Tashara Burnside, Brit-tany Taylor, Emma Denning Row 2 - Tierney Rodgers, Lexi Hill, Jessica Richards, Hunter Stohlmeyer, Austin Gerritson Row 3 - Coach Weber, Bre-anna Loughren, Molly Moore, Breanna Taege, Anna Ashley


Freshman



Row 1 - Loralyn Werkmeister, Megan Van Pelt, Morgan Bettis, Azza Atroon, Whittney Baker, Dillan Clock, Sami Ausborn Row 2 - Coach Melissa Owen, Erin Green, Karen Bell, Kendra Tott, Booke Dalegish, Tierney Rogers, Ellie Bryant, Haley Moore, Coach Liz Hammerly

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SENIOR GIRLS CLUB MATH
CLUB I-BALL SADD ART
CLUB FASHION CLUB FASH
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CLUB FRENCH CLUB DEBATE
SPEECH MOCK TRIAL BOWL
RUGBY CYCLING STUDENT
COUNCIL JUNIOR SENATE
SENIOR SENATE SHEPHERD
GREEN KEY CLUB QUIZ
BOWL SCIENCE OLYMPIAD
DESTINATION IMAGINATION





Fellowship of Christian Athletes may not be one of the best known clubs at Ames High, but it is still quite active. FCA is a club where students gather and discuss life, challenges, and faith. They generally meet every other week at a student's house and enjoy snacks and games, along with guest speakers such as teachers, coaches, and even ISU student athletes. FCA is non-denominational and one need not be a Christian to attend.

Asian Club

Asian Club, in its 3rd year of existence, has done many things to help out the school this year. While their dream of cleaning out King Buffet was defeated by the quick services, Asian club bounced back, raising over \$641 in their 2nd annual Asian Club Date Auction as a part of Student Council's Winter Madness Concert to raise money for MICA.

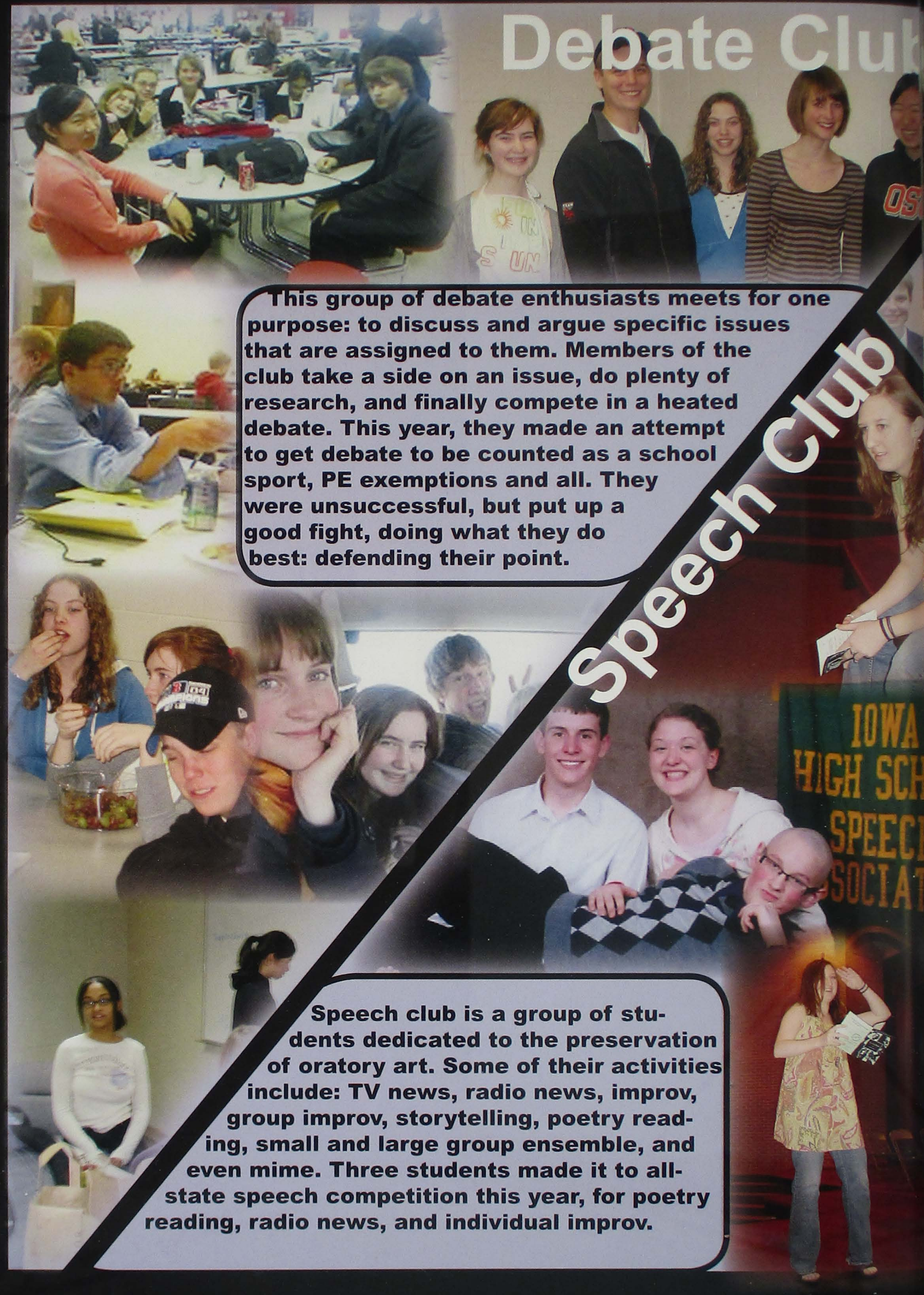




French Club

Originally there were clubs for all of the foreign languages at Ames High. Through the years, however, all have disappeared except for French Club. When asked what they do, they reply with a smile, "We speak French." This is not all that they do, though. They also make food that has its roots in the French culture. At their meetings they enjoy live orchestral music and compelling conversation, again, in French. *Que magnifique!*

Debate Club



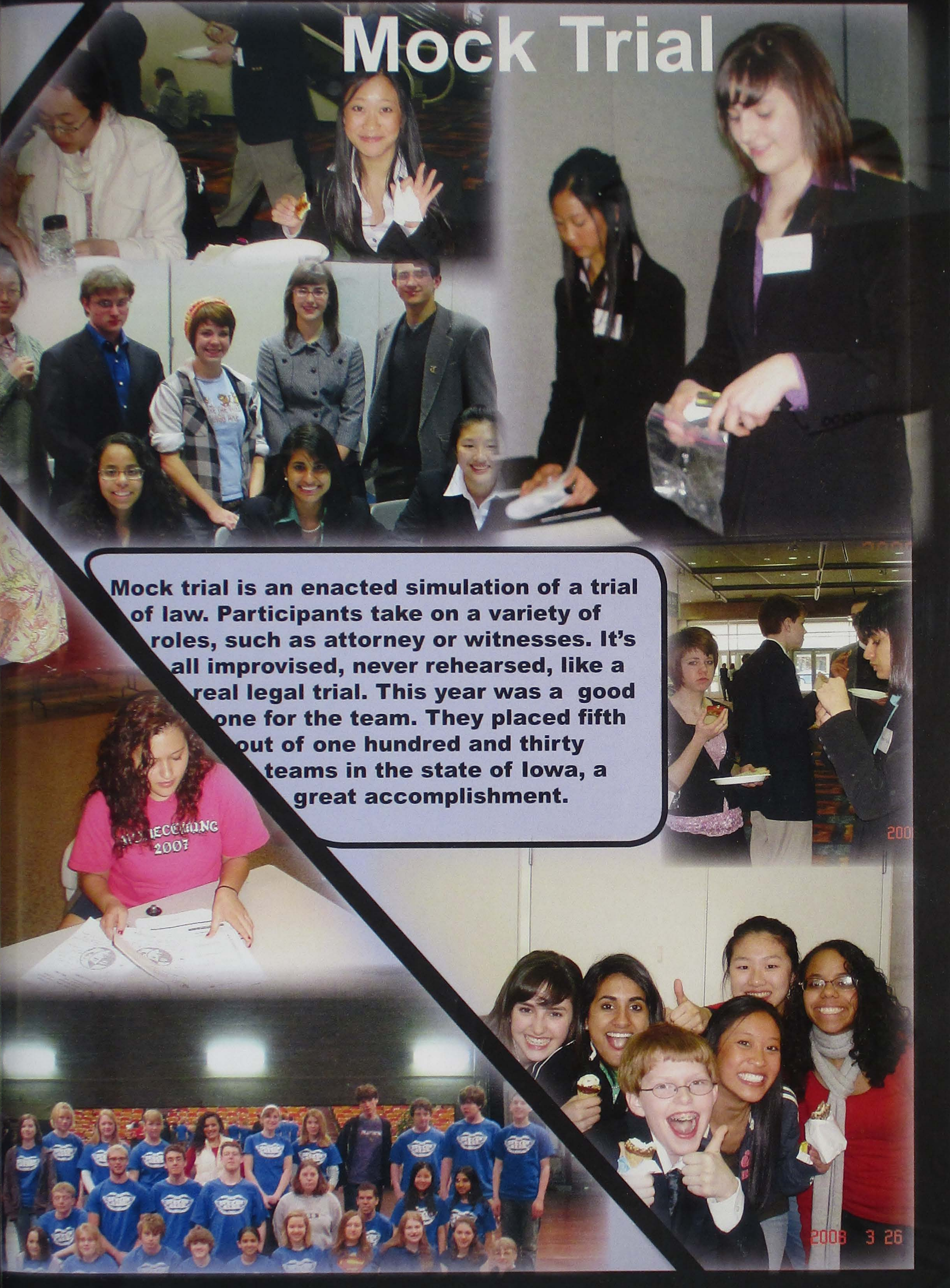
This group of debate enthusiasts meets for one purpose: to discuss and argue specific issues that are assigned to them. Members of the club take a side on an issue, do plenty of research, and finally compete in a heated debate. This year, they made an attempt to get debate to be counted as a school sport, PE exemptions and all. They were unsuccessful, but put up a good fight, doing what they do best: defending their point.

Speech Club

Speech club is a group of students dedicated to the preservation of oratory art. Some of their activities include: TV news, radio news, improv, group improv, storytelling, poetry reading, small and large group ensemble, and even mime. Three students made it to all-state speech competition this year, for poetry reading, radio news, and individual improv.

Mock Trial

Mock trial is an enacted simulation of a trial of law. Participants take on a variety of roles, such as attorney or witnesses. It's all improvised, never rehearsed, like a real legal trial. This year was a good one for the team. They placed fifth out of one hundred and thirty teams in the state of Iowa, a great accomplishment.



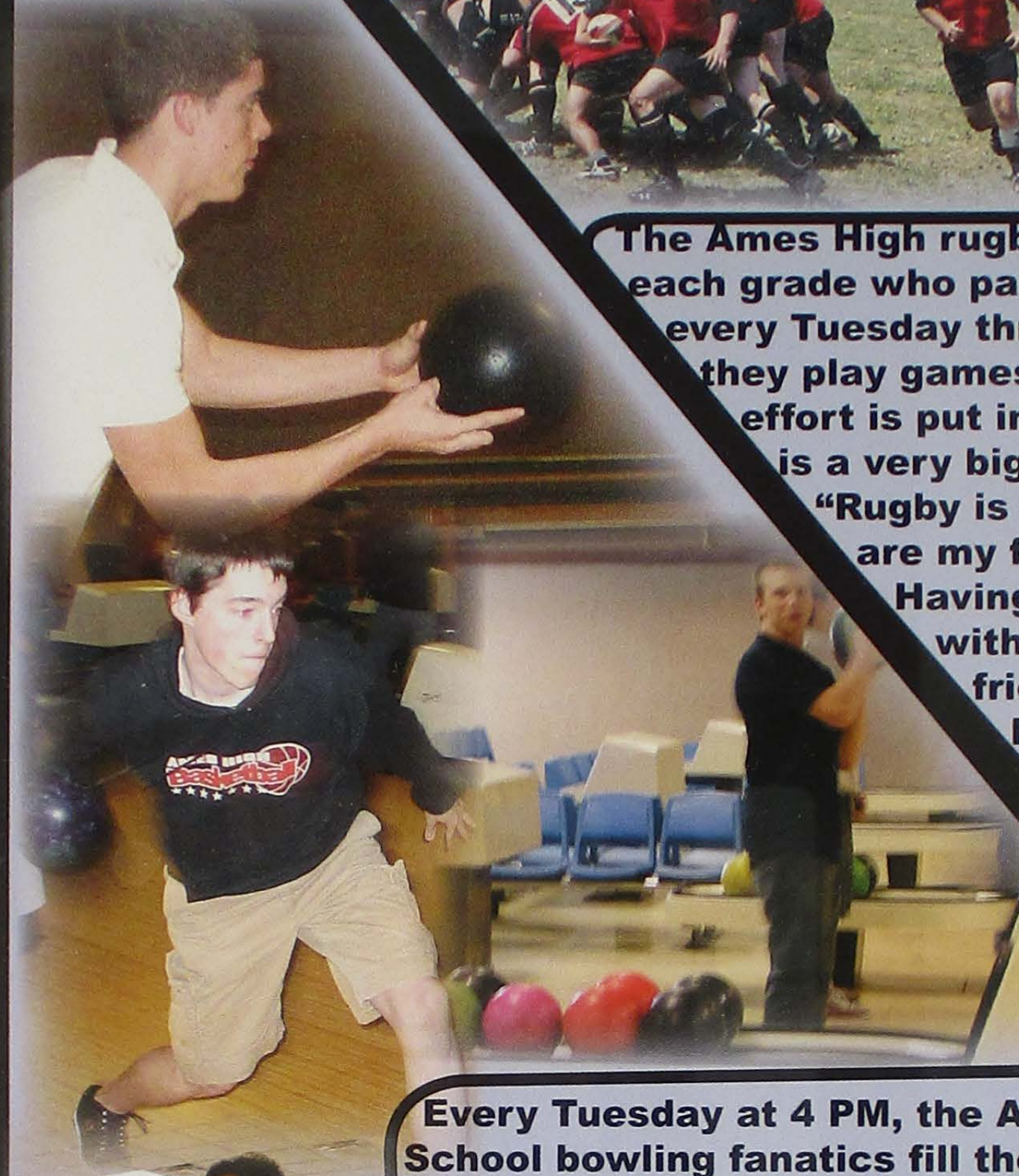
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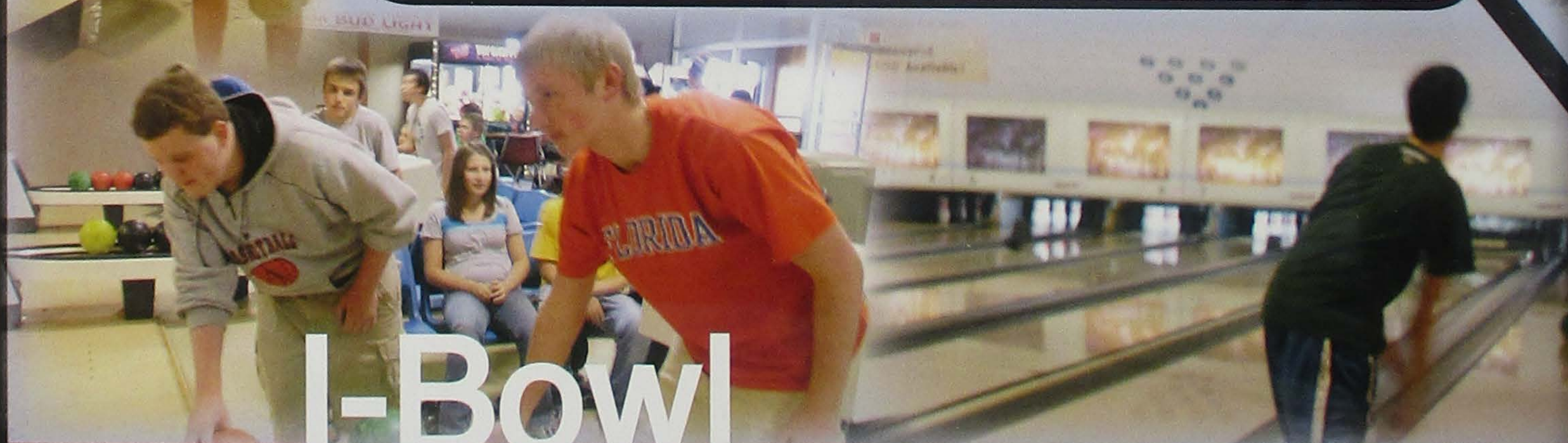
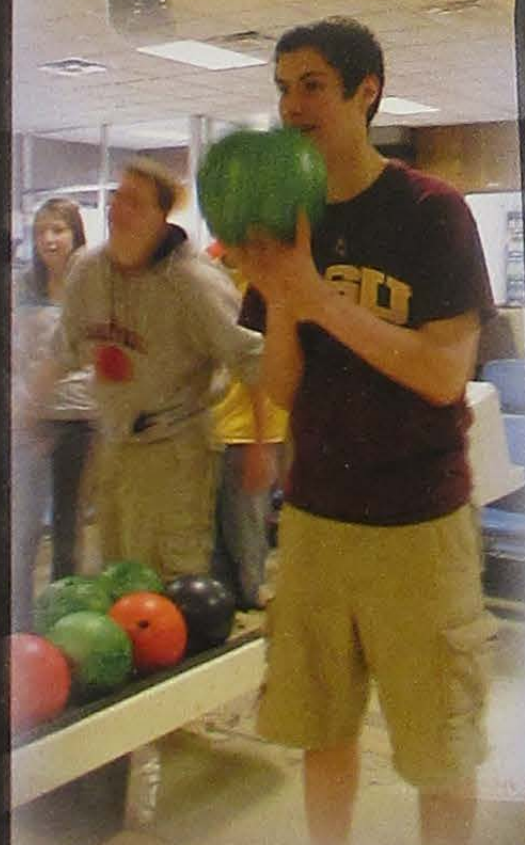


The Ames High rugby team has a variety of boys from each grade who participate. The boys have practice every Tuesday through Thursday. On the weekends they play games against other high schools. A lot of effort is put in by the team so that the 2008 season is a very big improvement from the 2007 season. "Rugby is laid back and all the teammates are my friends," junior Hannes Reinot said. Having the team made up of friends helps with creating good teamwork and a very friendly and supportive atmosphere. Rugby is a very rough and tough sport, only for the most courageous.

Rugby



Every Tuesday at 4 PM, the Ames High School bowling fanatics fill the 20th Century Bowling Alley to hang with friends. Packed full, the bowling alley echoes with the sound of bowling balls crashing down pins. "I-Bowl is really fun. It introduced me to a sport that I never would have thought to try before," junior Josh Brown said. There is a wide variety of under and upperclassmen that meet to bowl, and, sometimes, even together. Teachers come to join in on the fun as well. The bowling teams are small enough that everyone gets the chance to bowl and no one is left out.



I-Bowl





Vortex club is a group of juniors and seniors who meet in the Ames High parking lot before varsity football games in the fall. Members hang out, dance to music, and grill delicious hot dogs and hamburgers. In an expression of anarchy, members sign the signature vortex "V" and the chant "VORTEX!!!" while parading through the high school parking lot. Vortex members allow themselves be well known to anyone who may be in the area. Each game, Vortex seems to have something new and crazier than before to show what they stand for. If you're looking for fun and chaos, Vortex is the place to go.

Student Council






Junior Senate


Student Council runs the school. 2007-08 Student Council Co-Presidents Sam Bird and Daniel Park executed a productive term by partnering with administration to follow through on their bold campaign promises. Some of the events Student Council ran included the annual Crush Can sales, Winter Madness, and a couple of new ideas the co-presidents brought in this year: renovating the courtyard with the additions of new trees and some boulders for the students, and the publishing of semi-weekly issues of "The Stall Street Journal" which included Ames High news, sporting events, other important deadlines, such as the SAT and ACT testing days, and many riddles that drove students and staff crazy.

Senior Senate is responsible for the blood drives which are held each semester. This year the club had the best year yet in the number of first time donors and units collected. The total of both drives, fall and spring, yielded 78 first time donors and 134 units of blood. The group also attended a leadership conference in December and planned the senior picnic held on May 23rd. The theme for this year's picnic is a luau and will be held at Inis Grove park. They are also in charge of picking a motto for the class, the class colors, and flower, as well as the graduation speakers.

Junior Senate is actively involved in decorating for prom. Starting early in the year, they plan for prom by making sure they will have plenty of time to prepare for all the things they need for the Friday before the dance. The members met Wednesday mornings to work on decorations and other plans, and also Friday mornings to paint and color. To start it all off, they came up with a theme for the dance and proceeded to make all the decorations coordinate with this theme. They ended up by decorating the whole school, getting everyone in the mood for this once in a lifetime dance. Prom just wouldn't happen without this group.



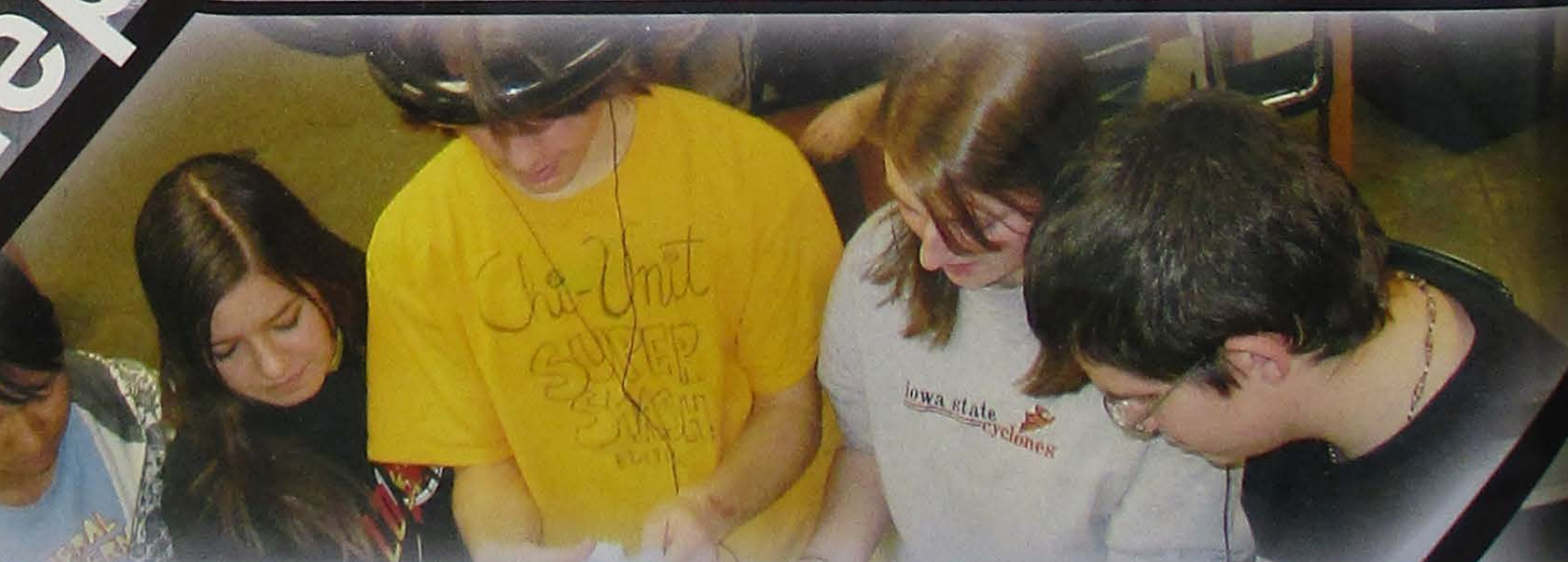
Senior Senate



SHEPH, Students Helping to Eliminate Poverty and Hunger, this year fund raised for two projects. First semester they raised money for a girls' school in India. It was an organization that helped the educational and livelihood needs of an urban slum. Second semester they raised money to build houses for AIDS orphans in Africa. Each home houses up to eight people and costs around \$1000. SHEPH fund raises by sponsoring bake sales, the bunny suit contest, the food drive, Uganda coffee sales, the Hunger Banquet, and the foreign language change drive.



100th Green Butterfly Club focuses on recycling paper to reduce our carbon emissions at Ames High. Students gather once a week to empty the recycling bins that can be found in each classroom. Once emptied, they sort through the different paper materials. At sporting events they set up alternative spots to dispose of pop cans. They also sponsor events such as Battle of the Bands to raise awareness and money to conserve the prairie.



100th Green

Sheph



AMES HIGH SCHOOL


Key Club, an international organization sponsored by Kiwanis, spends the year dedicating itself to improving the Ames community. They engage in activities such as Relay For Life, raking leaves for senior citizens, and making fleece blankets for Youth and Shelter Services. With Kiwanis, they clean up trash on the highway and volunteer at the Kiwanis' annual pancake breakfast. This year they reached many in need and their giving nature was felt through out the community.

Key Club

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Science Olympiad



Science Olympiad meets at the Ames Middle School Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:30-8:30 pm. Science Olympiad won first place honors in the state Science Olympiad Championship on March 1st. The team also represented the state of Iowa at the National Science Olympiad in May at George Washington University in Washington D.C. First-place medals were awarded to: Sandy Huang, Lawrence Chiou, James Honzatko, Nick Scallon, Louis Yang, Alan Guo, Devin Lu, Amy Zhong, Alex Boeke, Shing Shing Ho, Lavanya Singh, Hongmeng Zhou, Abhishek Seshappa, and James Fang.

Destination Imagination

Destination Imagination is a group of gifted students who create structures and skits, then go to competitions to show them off. This year's Destination Imagination team made it all the way to the global competition in Tennessee. They had a bake sale everyday for a week in order to raise money so that they were able to go to the competition. During the bake sale they raised over \$300 a day. "To me, Destination Imagination is a way to get together and solve a problem and think outside the box. It's also really fun," senior Andy Doyle said.

The Ames High Quiz Bowl team is a group of bright students who competed in six tournaments this year. Quiz Bowl didn't prepare before tournaments this year; they just started the tournament with the knowledge they had. The A-team won all but one tournament this year. "Basically, the only way to train for quiz bowl is to read or watch a lot of Jeopardy," junior Jess Nelson said. The A-team qualified for Nationals at the beginning of the year. However, it was on the same day as graduation so they couldn't make the tournament.



Quiz Bowl



Leah
Laurel, Tony, Daniel (DP)
William, Alicia

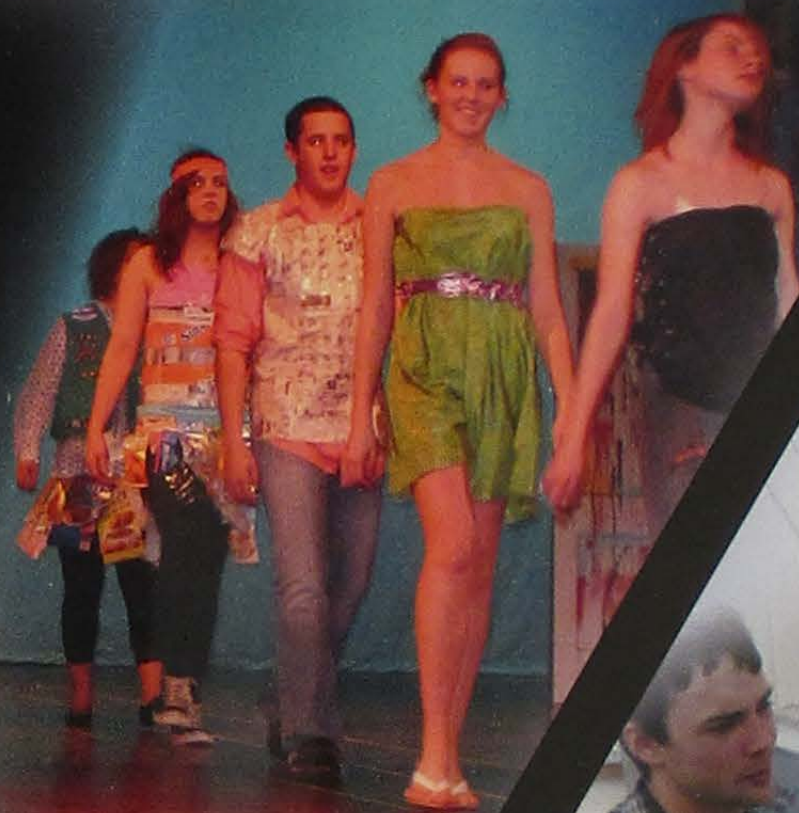
DI Picture
Wednesday
3:30 Front lobby


Mark Moore
Conrad Lueke?
Theodore → then?

Fashion Show

Ooh, la la. The very fashionable Ames High School students hit the runway to show off their stylish fashions in February. Clothes are not only modeled by Ames High students, they are also made by students, as well. Designers spend countless hours of their free time creating and perfecting clothes in exactness right down to the very last stitch. Models don't have it easy, either. They've got to practice the special strut for the cat walk. Preparation for this one night lasts the whole year for the one chance when models and designers can show it all off. The show lasts for about half an hour but is definitely worth attending to see the diversity of the different fashions made by the creative students of Ames High School.


Spreads





Diversity is a buzz word in today's society, but just about the time one thinks people really believe it, an issue like gay marriages comes up and people become instantly divided. Spectrum recognizes that most bitter feelings involved in issues such as these stem from ignorance and fear of the unknown. Thus, this small but driven group of students have dedicated their free time to raising the awareness and the level of understanding of their fellow students. Through programs such as their recent "Safe Zone" campaign, they are making a visible difference here at Ames High.

Spectrum



Students at Ames High who love to write and draw submit their work to Scratch Pad. The Scratch Pad Club reviews art, writing, and poetry for potential admission into the annual student literary magazine called Scratch Pad. "I like reading people's work. It is cool to realize how talented people at our school are," senior Katie Orazem said. Every year, many students submit their various forms of art to Scratch Pad. Only the finest of the work goes on to be published in the magazine which is collected and released in spring. It's not only fun for the writers and artists to have their work in print, but the students of Ames High enjoy reading it as well.



Four years ago marked the emergence of a new type of club: the Yellow Shirt Club. A group of teenage girls decided never again to wear yellow shirts on Fridays after a devastating fashion fiasco. This tradition has been carried on down through the years and is still present today. Frances Hindt, a sibling of one of the original founders, follows in her sister's footsteps along with many other students. Their colored T-shirts can be commonly found in the hallways, but you will never witness members of the Yellow Shirt Club sporting yellow tops on forbidden Fridays.



One half of teens have tried an illicit drug by the time they finish high school. Students Against Destructive Decisions, SADD, has set out to stop this vicious cycle. They have dedicated themselves to the education of their fellow students. Its members hand out informative pamphlets about destructive decisions that can be occasionally found on the lunch tables. In addition, members meet once a week to learn more about prevention and plan out their course of action. Before you make a decision that could be potentially destructive, take a moment to ask your local SADD member for your options.



SADD

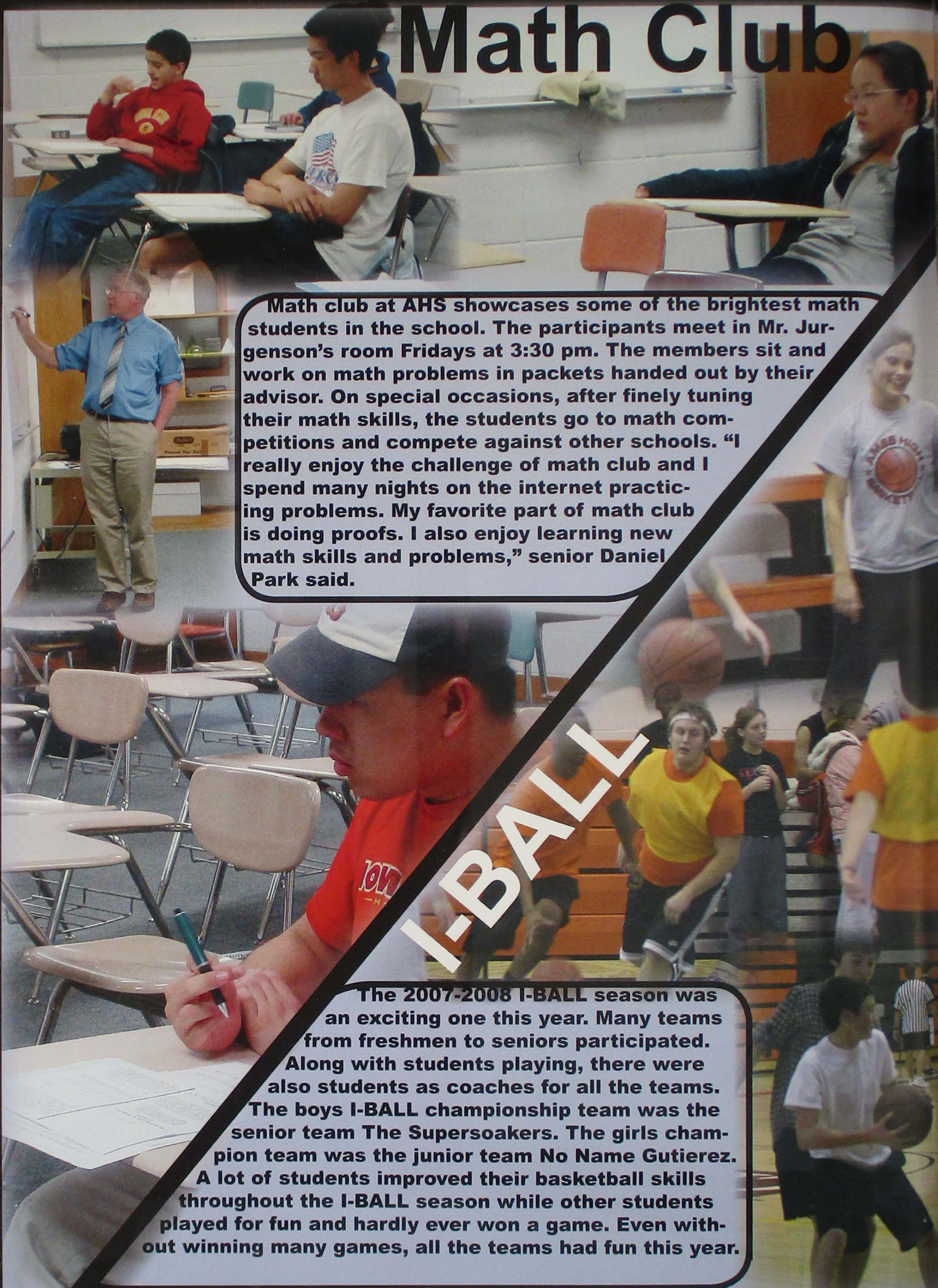


the
Yellow Shirt
Club

Progressive Club gathers throughout the year to raise awareness to causes they deem worthy. They make their voices heard by hosting and participating in a variety of events. This past year they held a name reading of those lost at war, participated in the "Die In," and displayed their distaste for the war in several peaceful protests as well as many other activities. Their mission was to advance the knowledge of the community on the injustices taking place around the world. Its members hope to empower the humanity and reach their final goal of world harmony.



Math Club

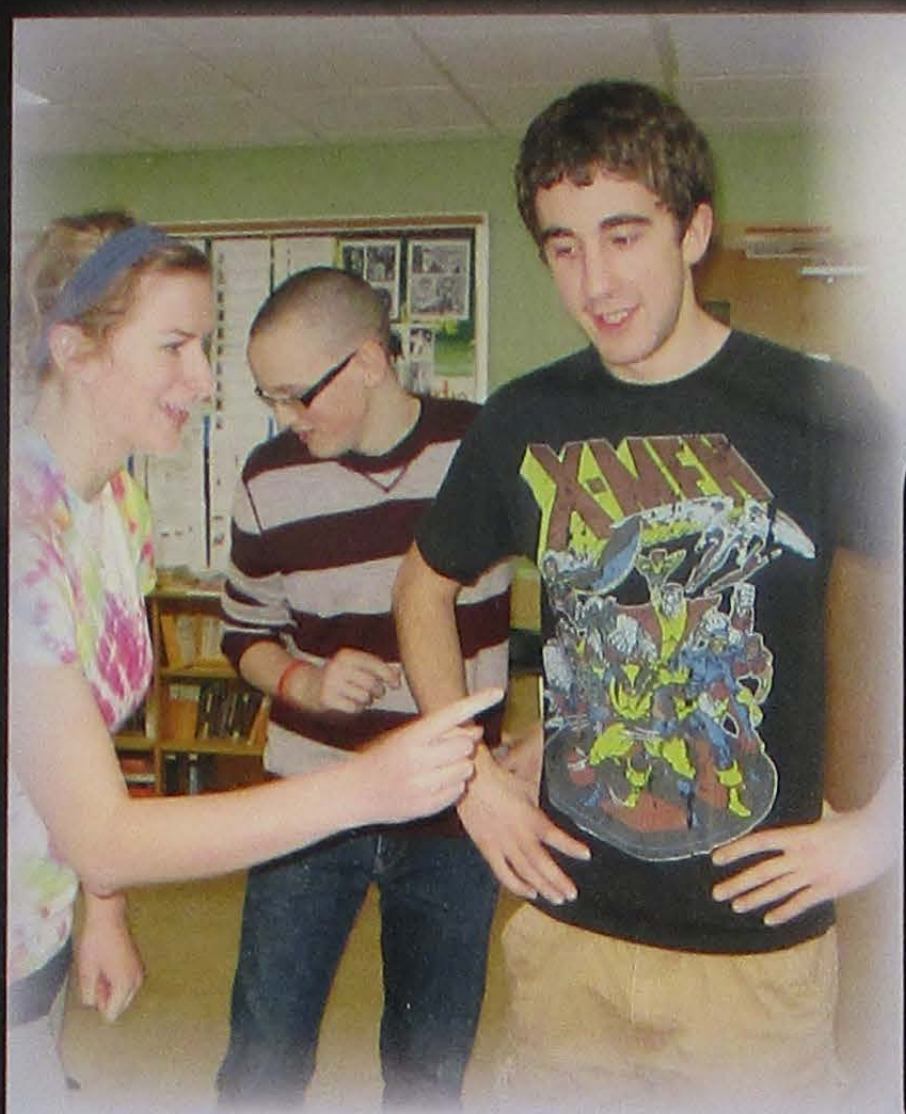


Math club at AHS showcases some of the brightest math students in the school. The participants meet in Mr. Jurgenson's room Fridays at 3:30 pm. The members sit and work on math problems in packets handed out by their advisor. On special occasions, after finely tuning their math skills, the students go to math competitions and compete against other schools. "I really enjoy the challenge of math club and I spend many nights on the internet practicing problems. My favorite part of math club is doing proofs. I also enjoy learning new math skills and problems," senior Daniel Park said.

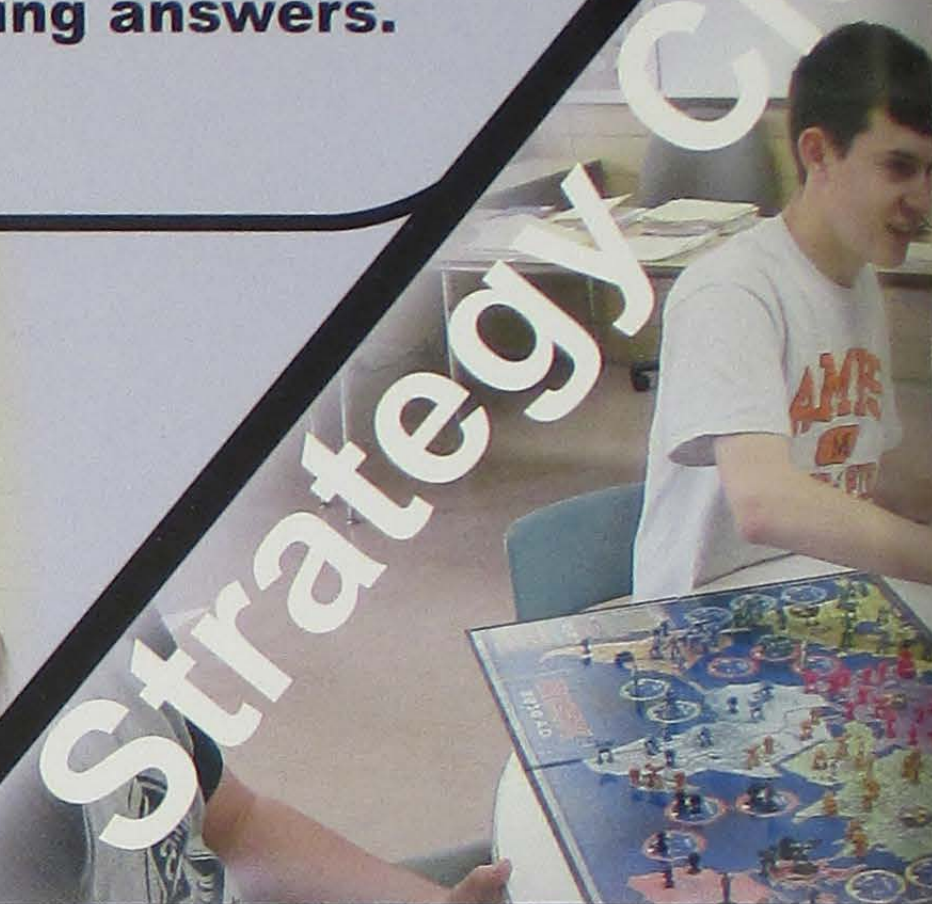
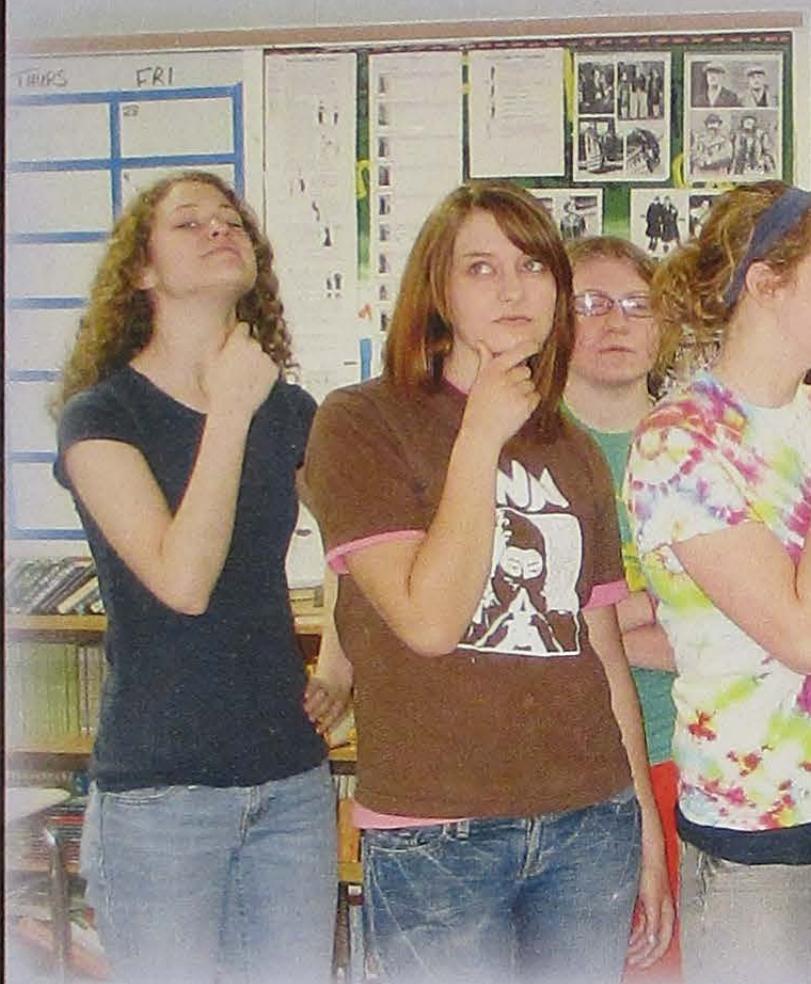
I-BALL

The 2007-2008 I-BALL season was an exciting one this year. Many teams from freshmen to seniors participated. Along with students playing, there were also students as coaches for all the teams. The boys I-BALL championship team was the senior team The Supersoakers. The girls champion team was the junior team No Name Gutierrez. A lot of students improved their basketball skills throughout the I-BALL season while other students played for fun and hardly ever won a game. Even without winning many games, all the teams had fun this year.

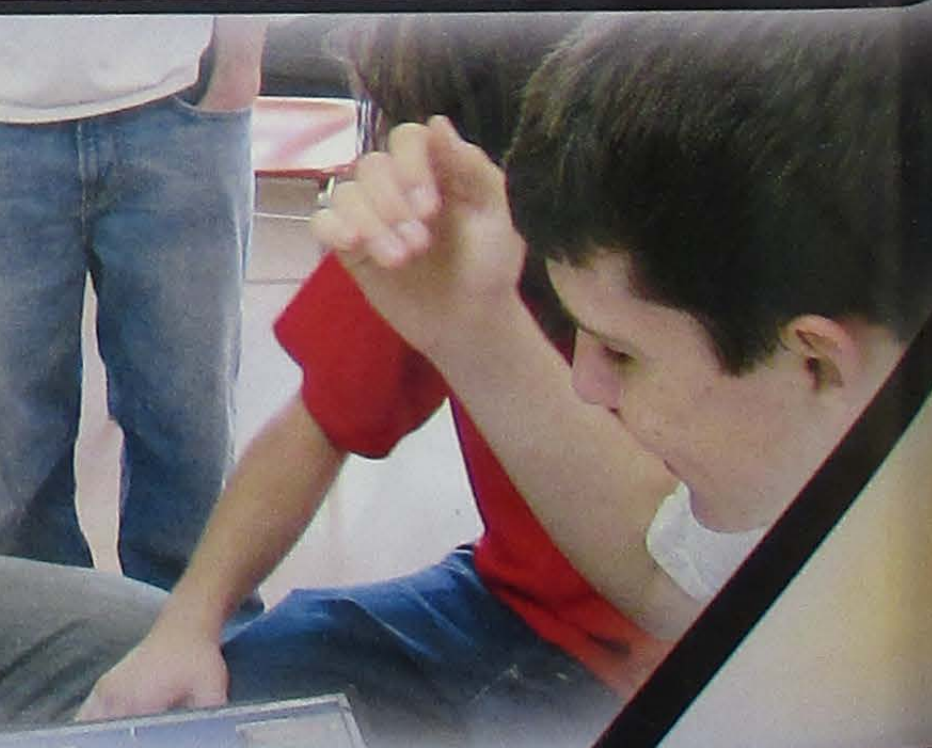
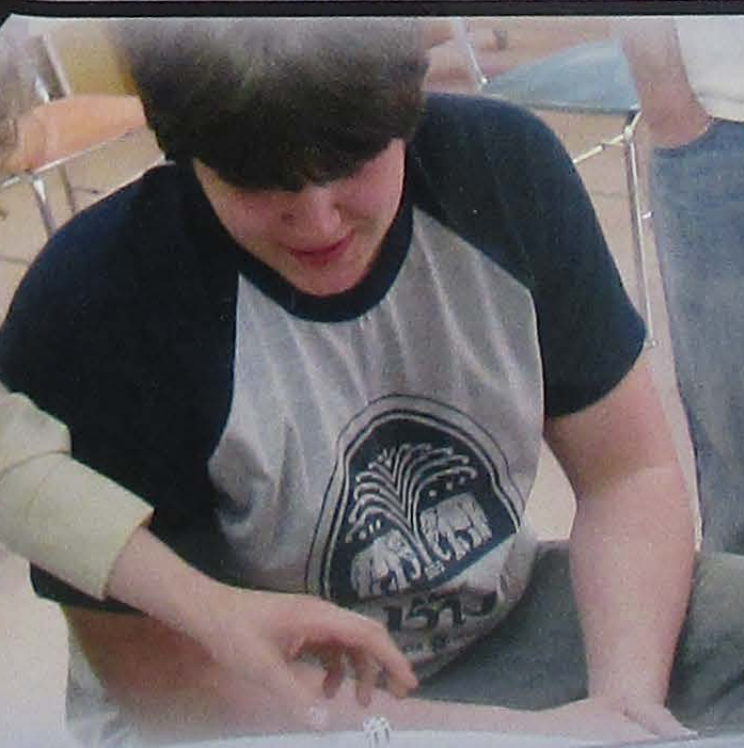
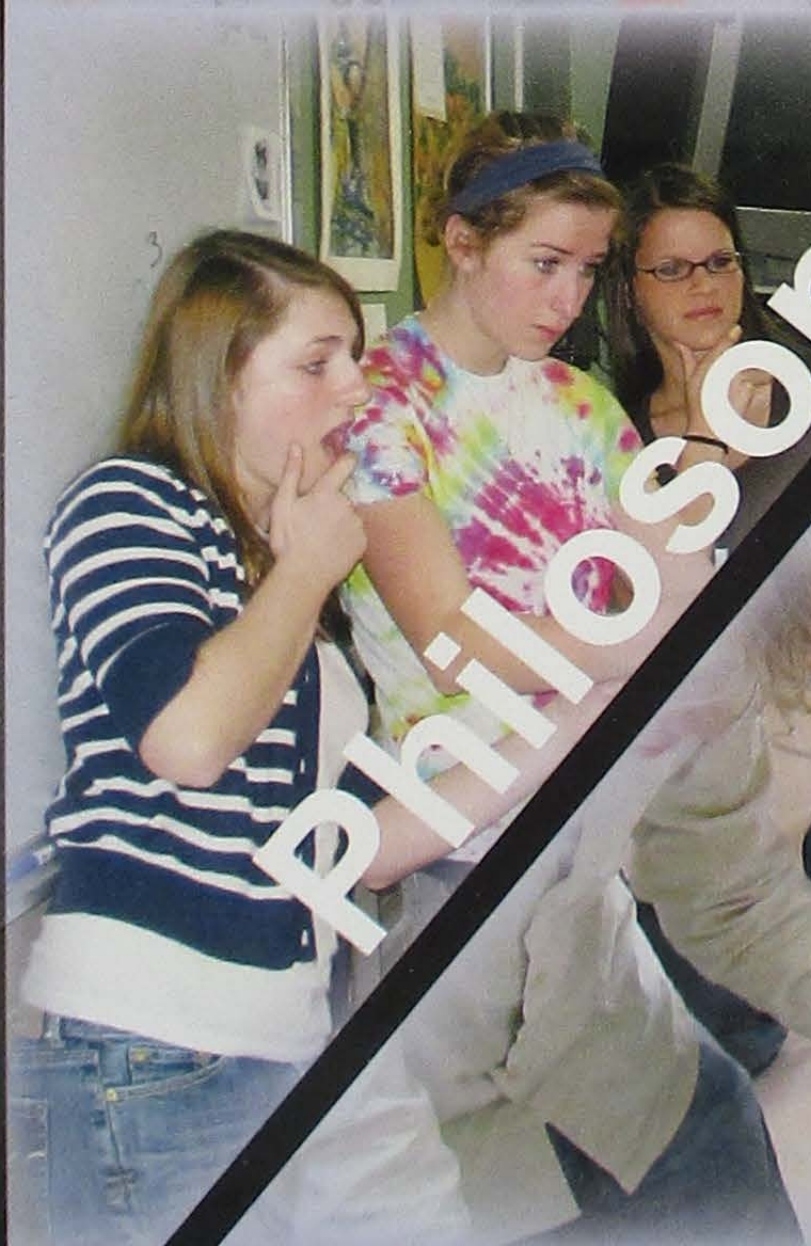




Deep discussion and argumentation takes place every Wednesday morning in Mr. Webb's room as the Philosophy Club gathers to debate issues that are important to its members. A wide variety of topics are covered, including societal issues, politics, and religion. The goal is more about asking questions than finding answers.



Risk...Axis and Allies...The Settlers of Catan...Strategy Club is a group of strategy game enthusiasts who gather in Mr. Ripley's room to compete for territory, honor and glory in an imaginary world of adventure. They are one of many new clubs who represent the diverse interests of Ames High students, and if there is one thing our school values, it's diversity.





With its few faithful members, the Senior Girls Club helped make Candyland come to life for a night of fun at Winter Formal. A rainbow colored path and a field of candy canes transformed the cafeteria into a life-sized rendition of the beloved game. The girls spent many hours decorating and advertising for the dance which was rewarded through the success of the event.

Senior Girls



peanut acre



Sharing the Yearbook room with SPIRIT again this year is Web, the student newspaper. The Web has to walk a fine line as it attempts to report news in a way that is edgy enough to entertain the student population yet objective enough to mollify the community and school administration. The Web never fails to get people talking with its cutting editorials, sarcastic reviews and bold cover stories. Its monthly printing is highly anticipated and while some like to complain about it, few miss the opportunity to read it cover to cover.

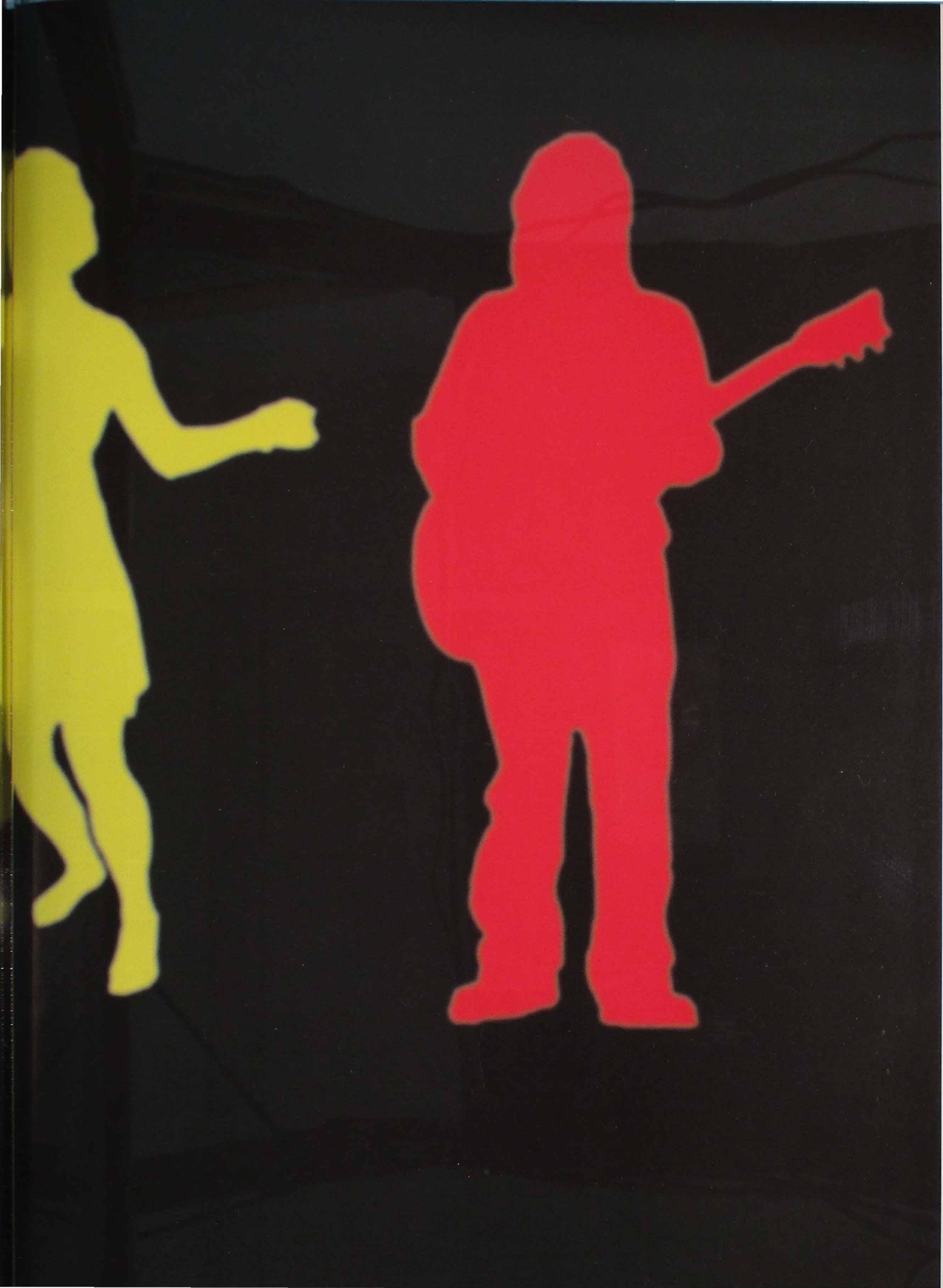
How do you capture and archive the essence of an entire school year? This is the challenge the SPIRIT staff faces each year. The result is a professional quality book that has been nationally recognized and awarded twice in the last five years. The small staff not only attempts to cover every and photograph every major even throughout the year, but they also have to fund raise to offset the cost of the book and of the technology required to make it. In an attempt to keep the purchase price low, the staff raises over \$20,000 a year to make up the difference.

Yearbook





PEOPLE



Freshman



Stephen Bergeson
Jordan Best
Morgan Bettis
Stephen Bettis
Bryan Bjorklund
Matthew Blakeley
Brittany Blazek



Brittany Ballantine
Jacob Banker
Andrew Barclay
Karen Bell
Peter Benson
Jenna Berg
Craig Bergeson



Zachary Anderson
Azza Atroon
Daniel Auel
Sammi Ausborn
Harlan Baker
Sarah Baker
Meredith Baldrige



Sarah Allen
Indyca Allfree
Christine Amaya
Madaline Andersen
Erica Anderson
Karl-Johan Anderson
Kyle Anderson



Riley Abel
Colton Accola
Aaron Ackerman
Jake Agnitsch
Avanthi Ajarapu
Kyle Albers
Ayeesha Ali





Darin Blum
Asher Bogdanove
Danielle Bohnert
Matthew Bonestroo
Sadie Botine
Allison Bowers
Rachel Boylan
Riley Brien
Jeffrey Bright

Cambrelle Brown
Rachel Brown
Ellie Bryant
Justus Buckels
Charles Buckner
Cameron Burgess
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Alyxandra Burt
Joy Busch

Rachel Buttery
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Lily Chen

Lucy Chen
James Chidister
Ho Choi
Talia Christian
Ji Chun
Alison Church
Jessica Clark
Natasha Clayberg
Allison Clem

Spencer Clemens
Megan Cohea
Tre Collins
Jamie Consamus
Leslie Contreras
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Dorian Cresswell

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Brian Crouse
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Hayley Crum
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Jenise Diaz
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Katherine Dobson
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Carine Dvorak
Kelsie Dye
Jessica Emery

Charles Emmerson
Hannah Evans
Christopher Fawkes
Timothy Fernando
Emily Foegen
Caitlin Fox
Anna Frankl
Cierra Freeman
Brandon Friederich

Sam Frishman
Matthew Fulton
Andrew Galyon
Kimberly Garasky
Nathaniel Gartin
Megan Gaul
Thomas Gehring
Neil Gerstein
Anima Ghimire

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Bryan Graham
Justin Grall
Marquita Grandberry
Lauren Grant
Erin Green
Tyler Grieser
Zackery Hackbarth
Sean Hanlin



Anna Hansen
Nathan Hansen
Pierce Hanway
Moriah Harris
Ezra Hart
Sean Hartmann
Katherine Hauck
Tess Hawley
Kelly Heikens



Christa Heiligenthal
Atli Heimisson
Travis Herrstrom
Thomas Hockett
Adam Hofer
Kaleb Hoversten
Andre Ingham
Alyssa Jackson
Alex Jacobson



Dane Jensen
Anna Joerger
Alec Johnson
Eric Jones
Chelsea Jorgensen
Benjamin Jurenka
Elizabeth Kaloupek
Stephen Kapaun
Ashley Kerns



Jewel Khan
Eric Knippel
Cloe Knudel
Alexandra Korf
Edward Kraus
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Jordan Kriegler
Liza Kroeschell
Hillary Kruger



Paizen Ku
Edward Kwaw-Mensah
Adam Lane
Lacie Larkin
Shelby Larson
Dylan Larson-Konar
Haley Lavender
Hanbi Lee
Hyunseung Lee



Sue Lee
Austin Lelonek
Zachary Lenhart
Levi Lewis
Marika Liebman
Caitlyn Liechty
Taylor Linder
Joseph Linduska
Anna Liu



Charles Long
Jameson Long
Charles Loucks
Brittany Lovig
Scott Macdonald
Patricia Mackey
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Eden Marek



Zachary Marion
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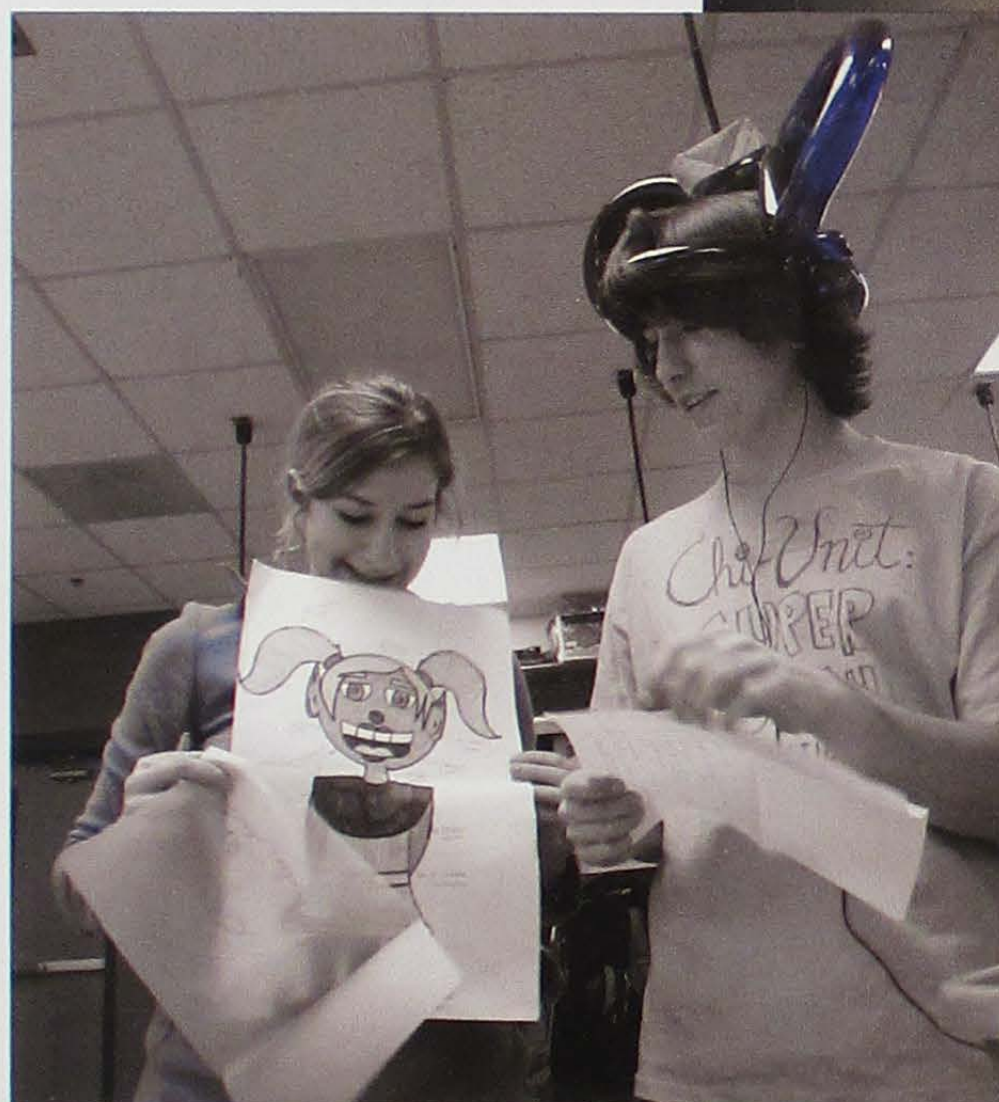
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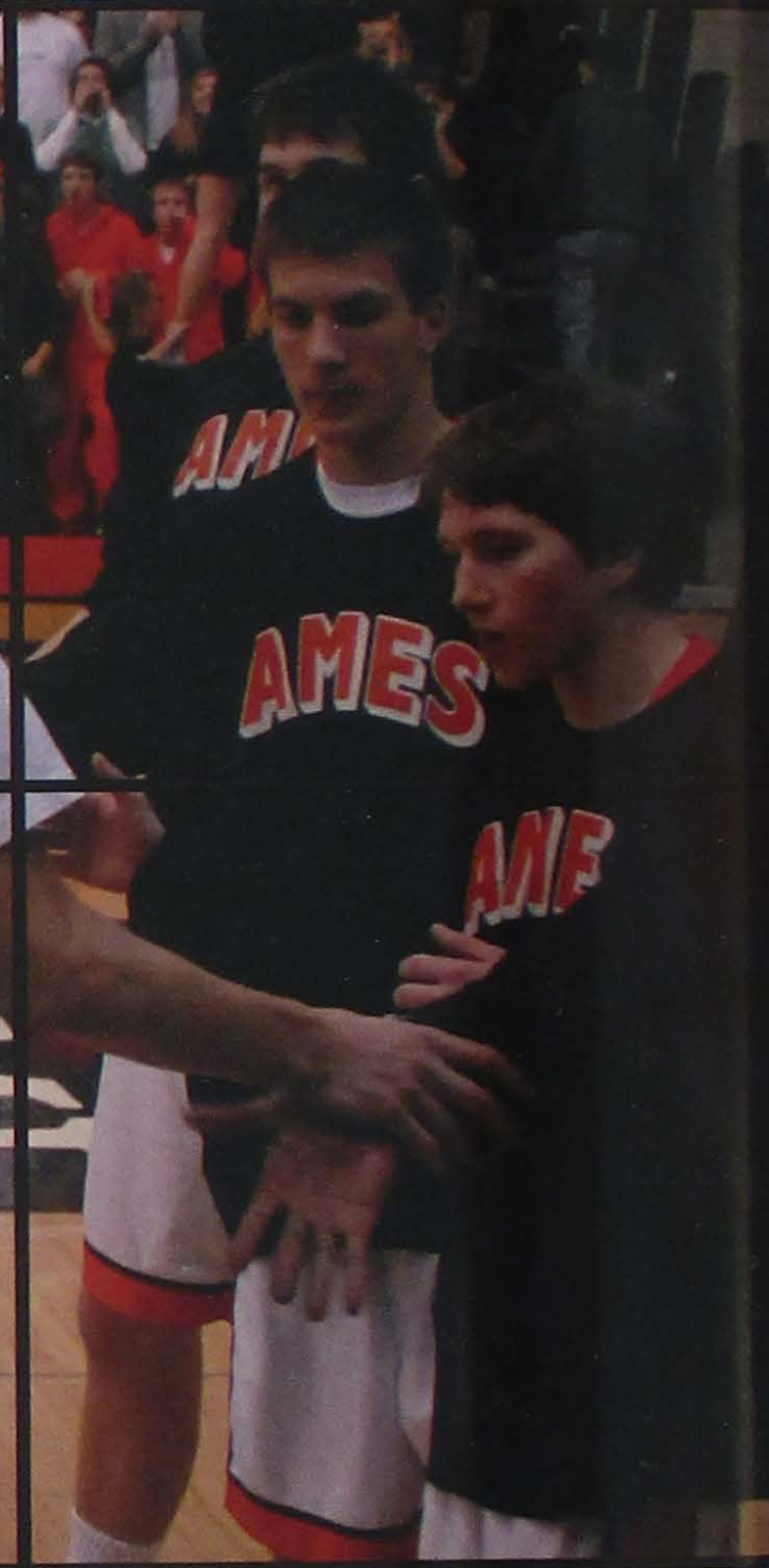
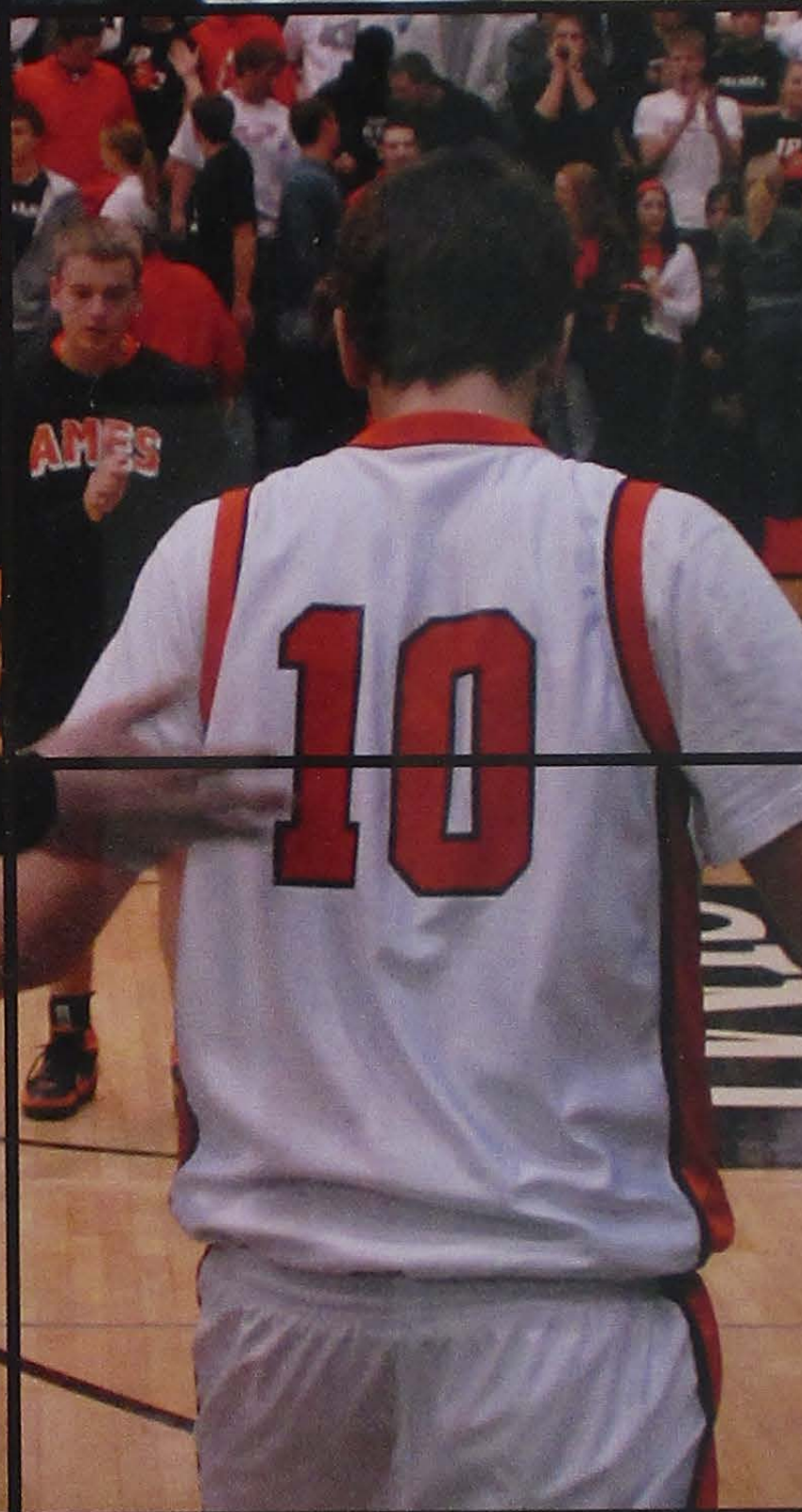
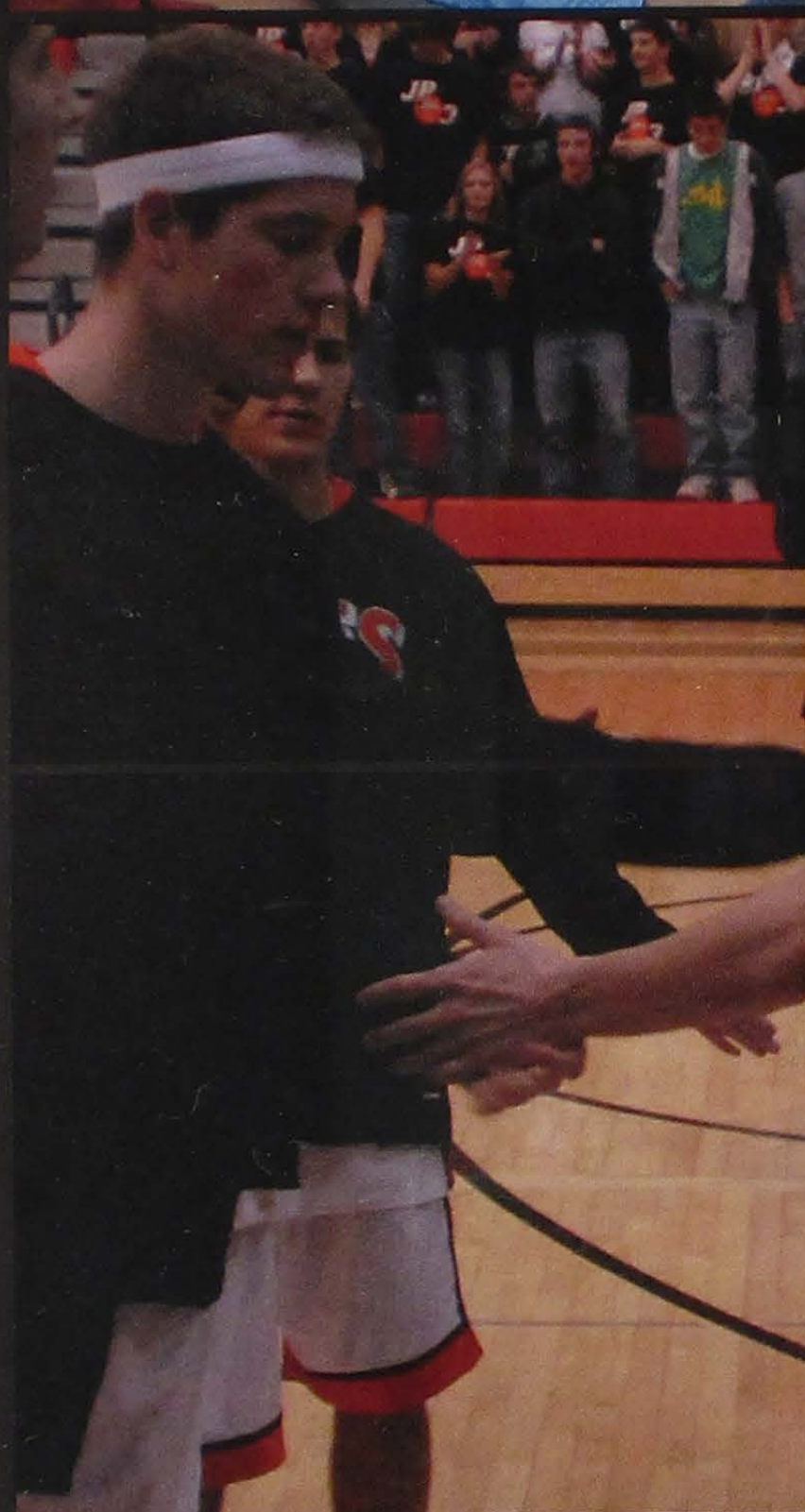
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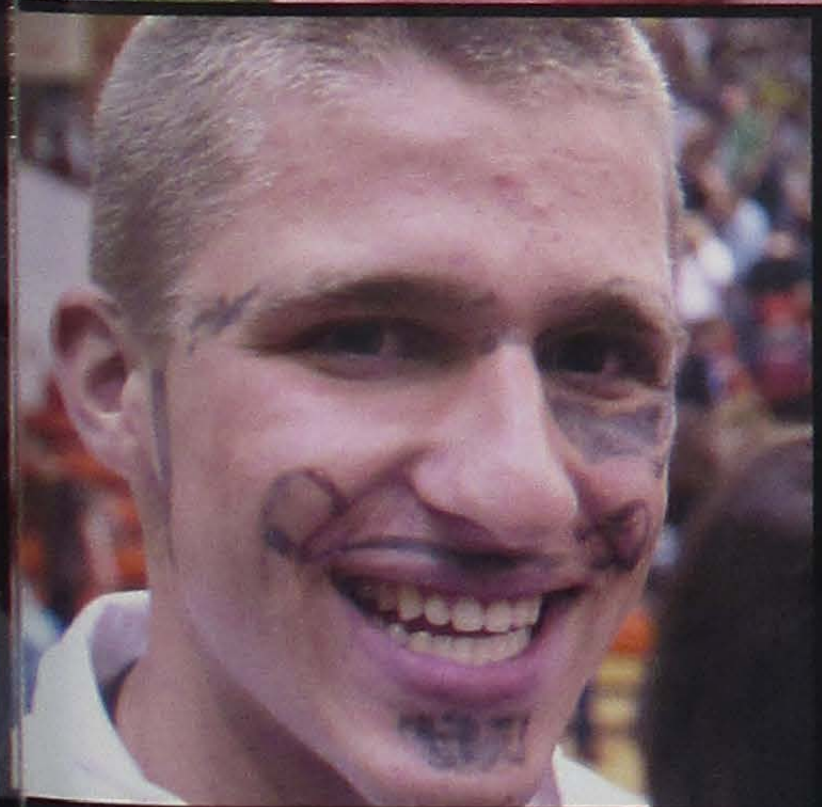
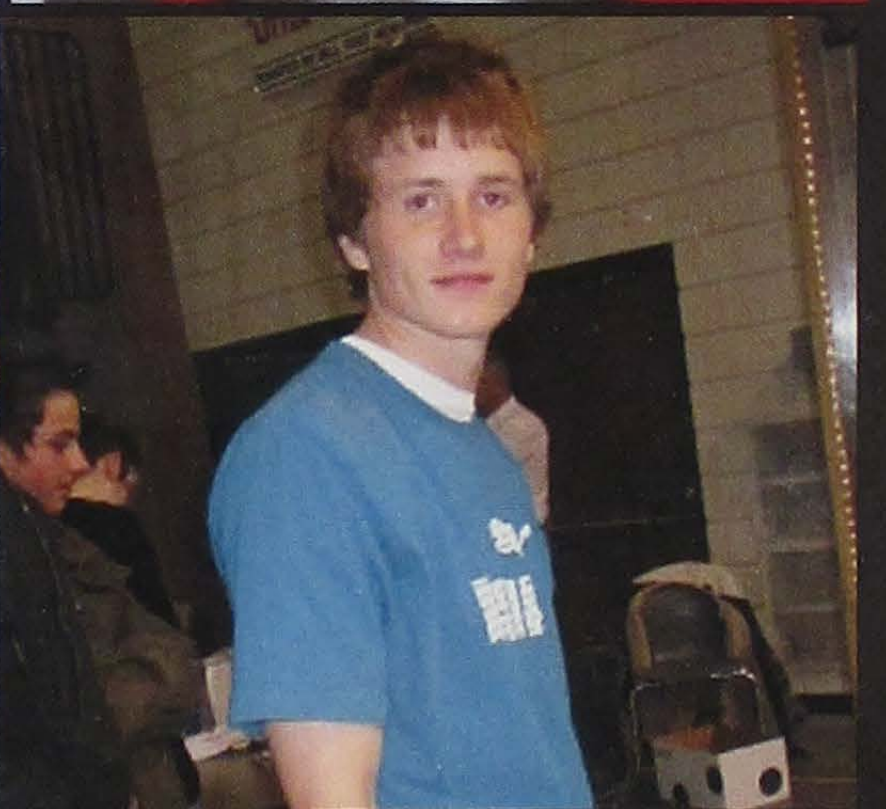
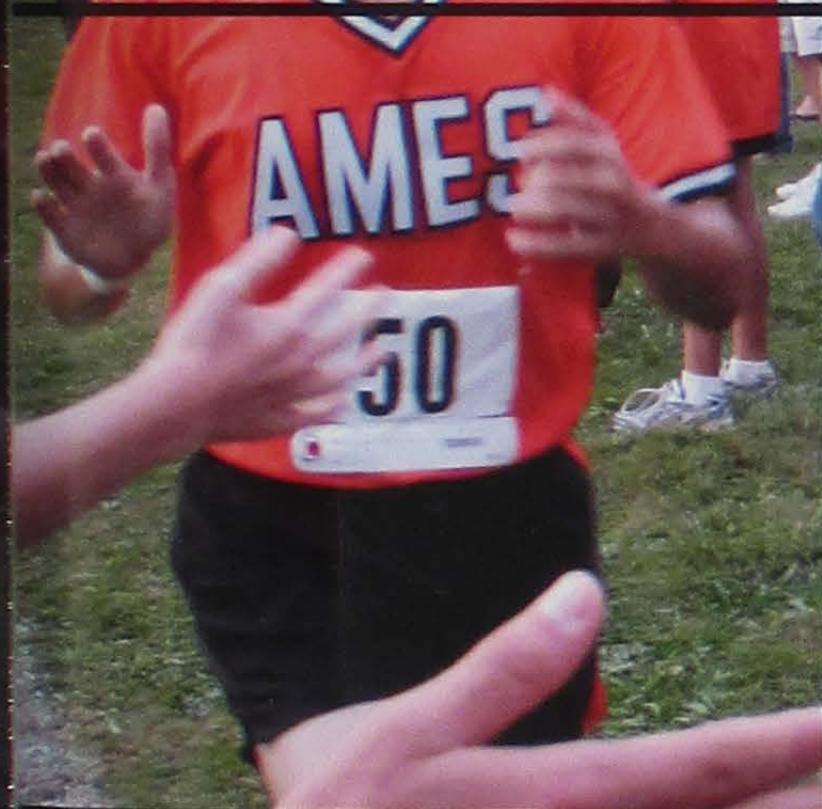
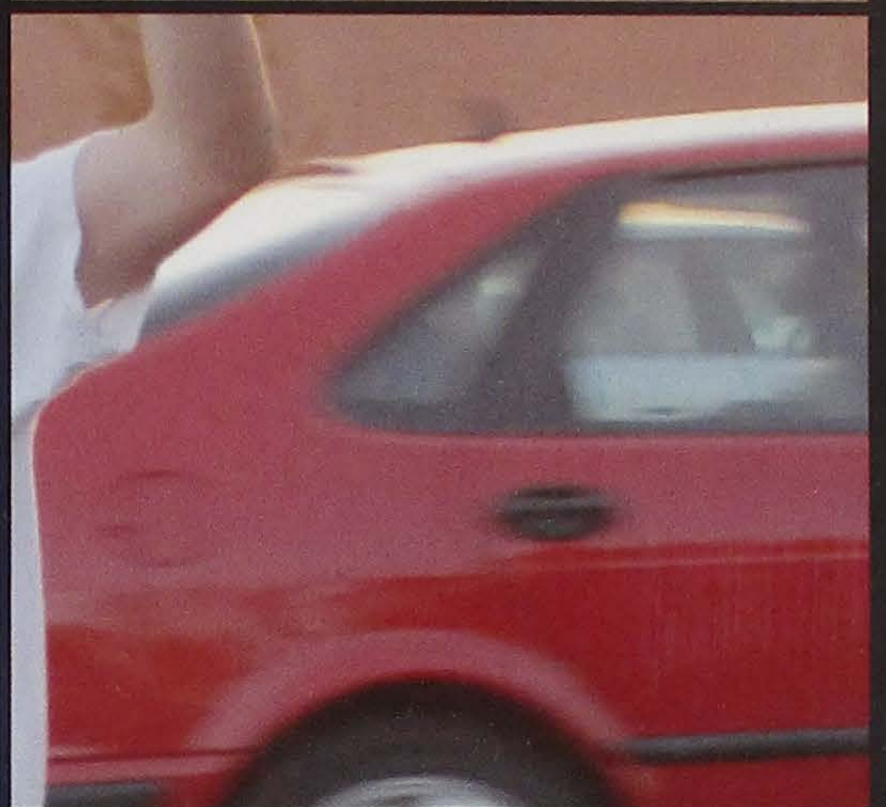
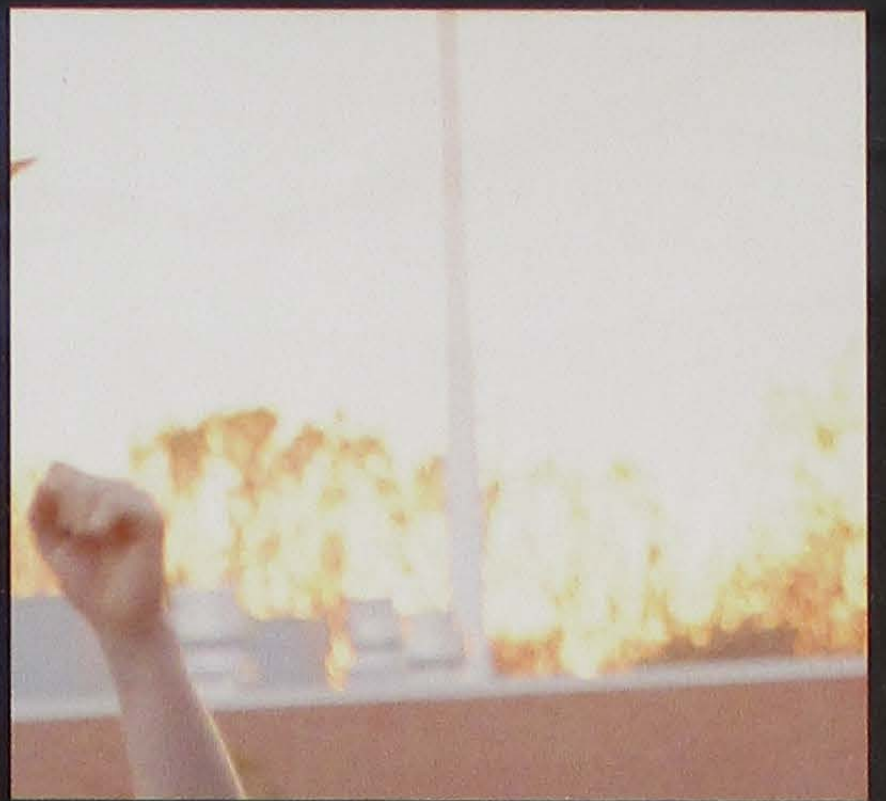
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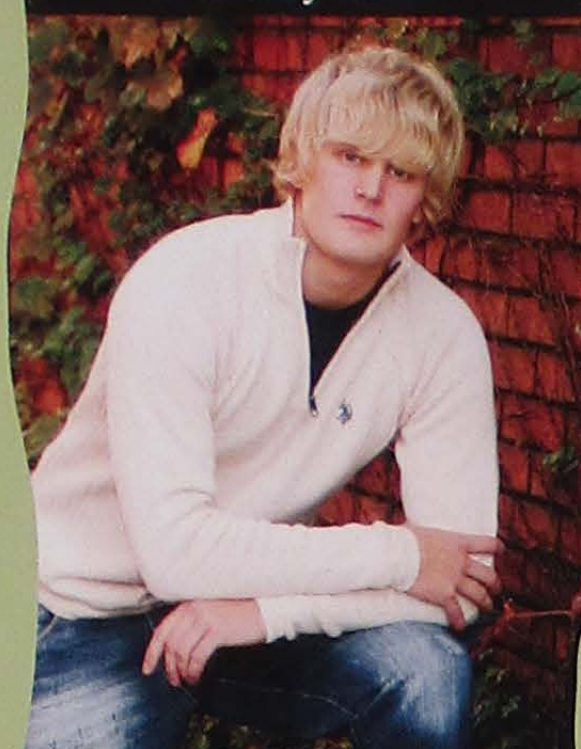
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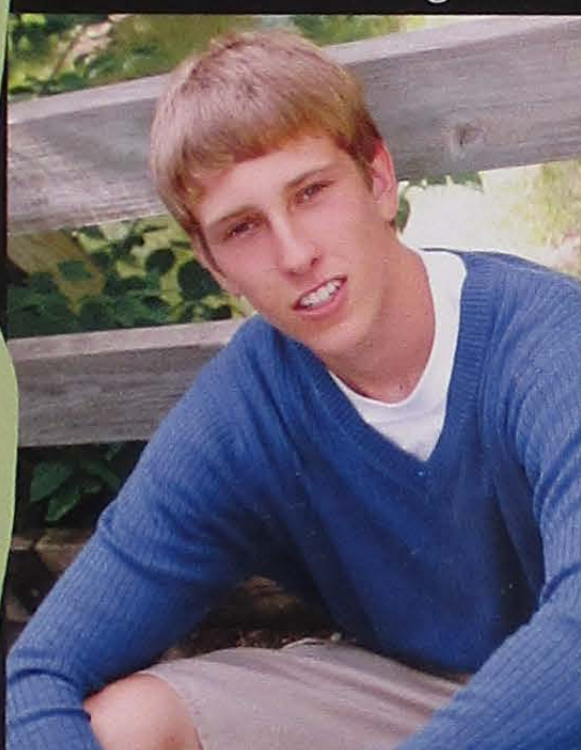
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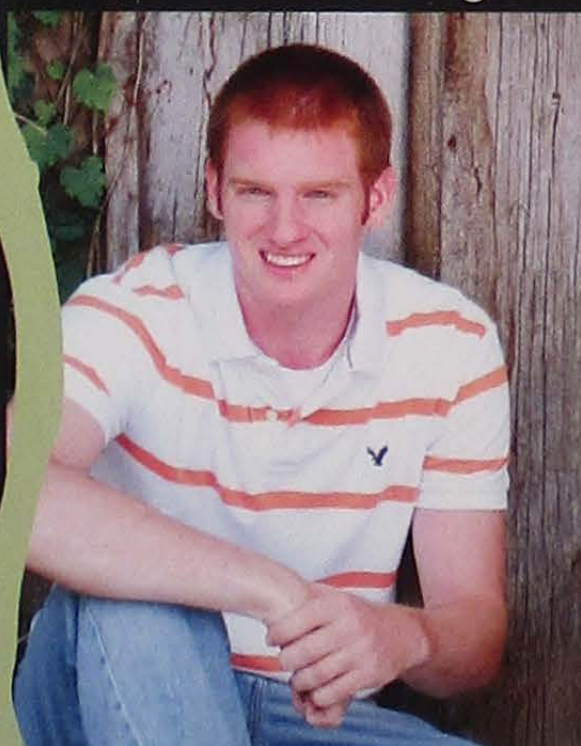
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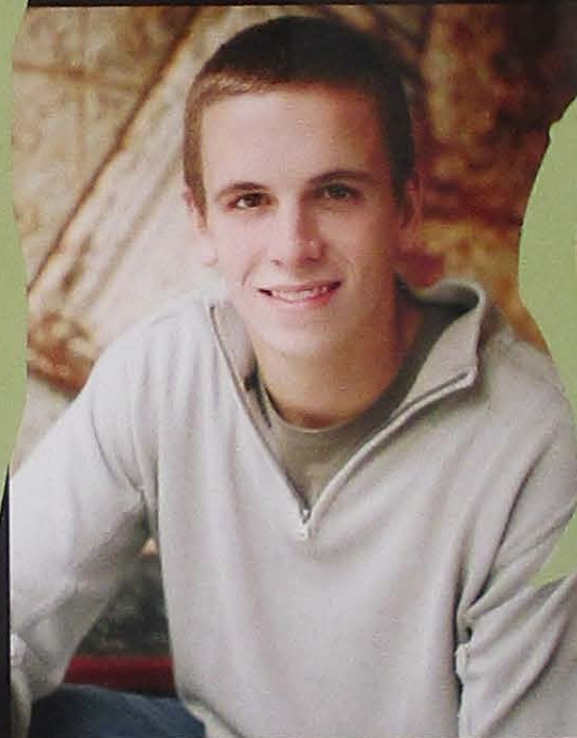
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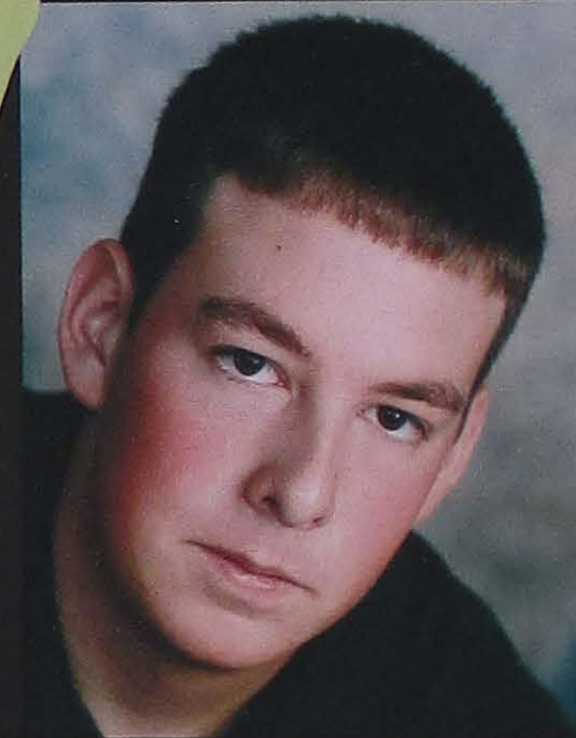
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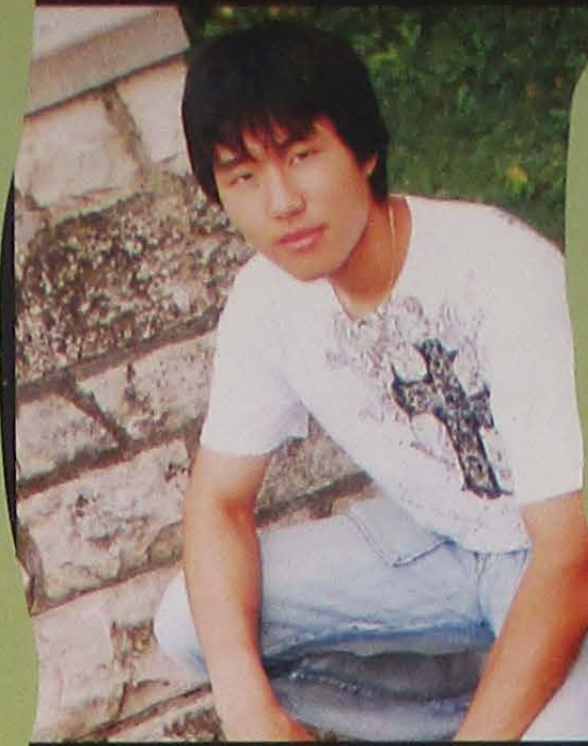
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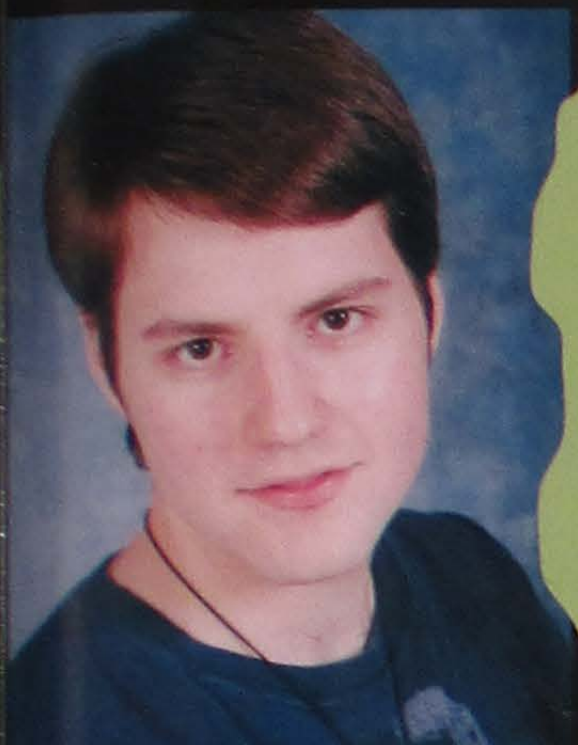
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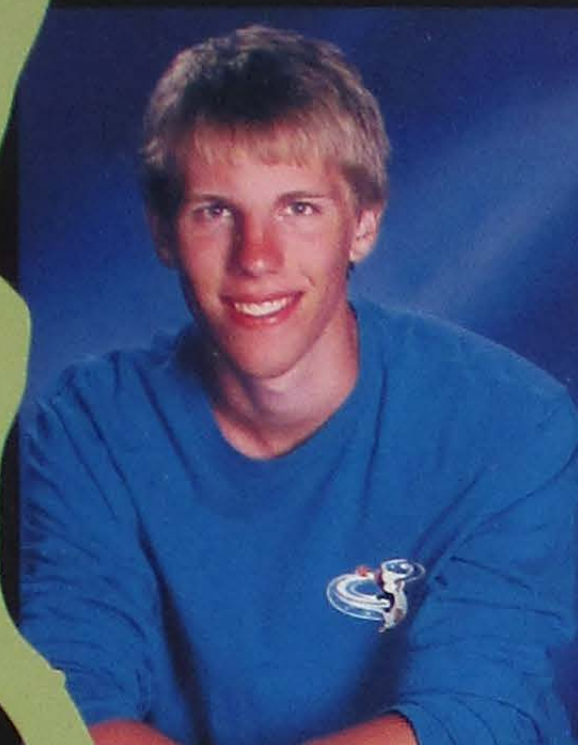
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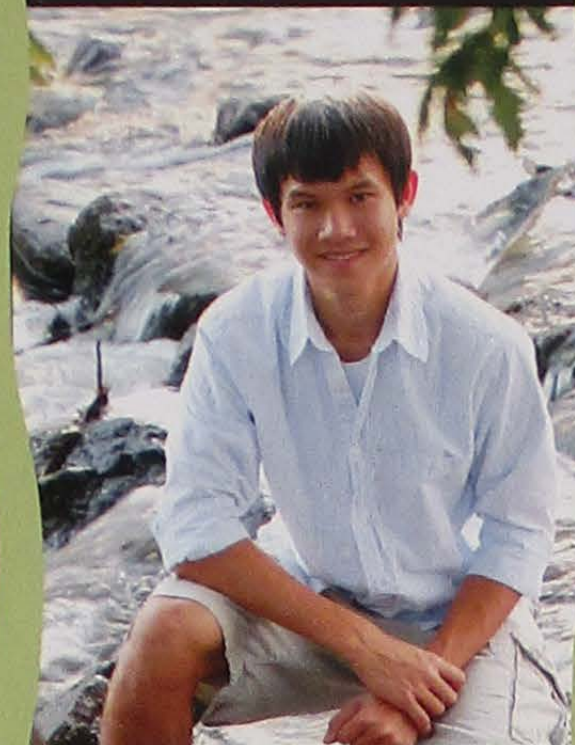
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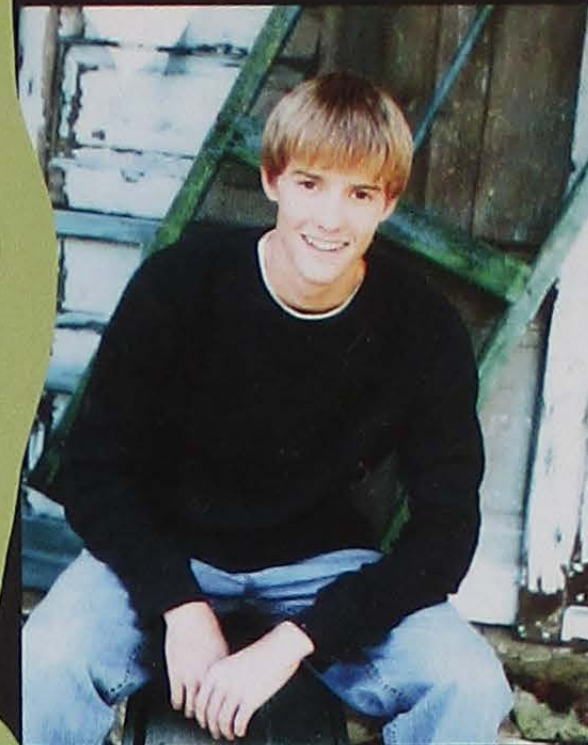
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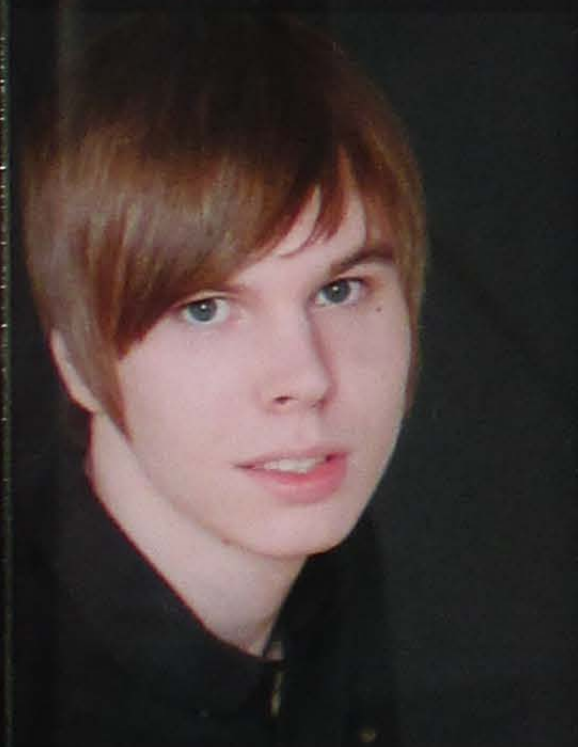
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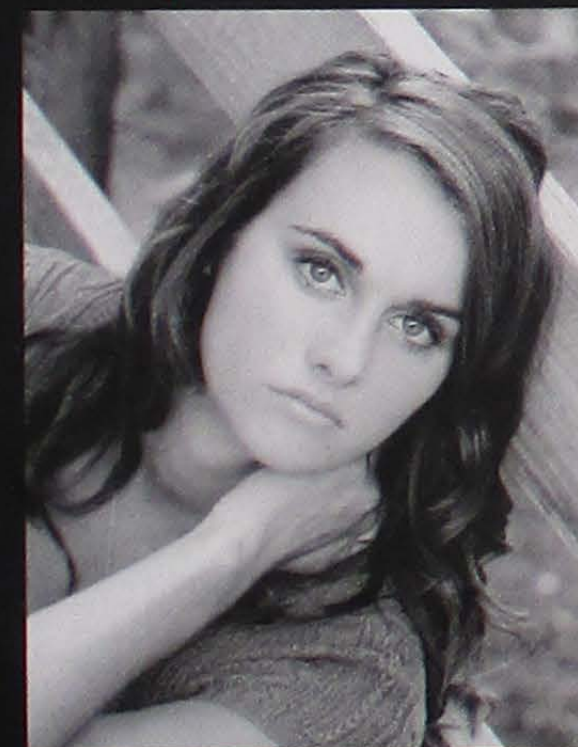
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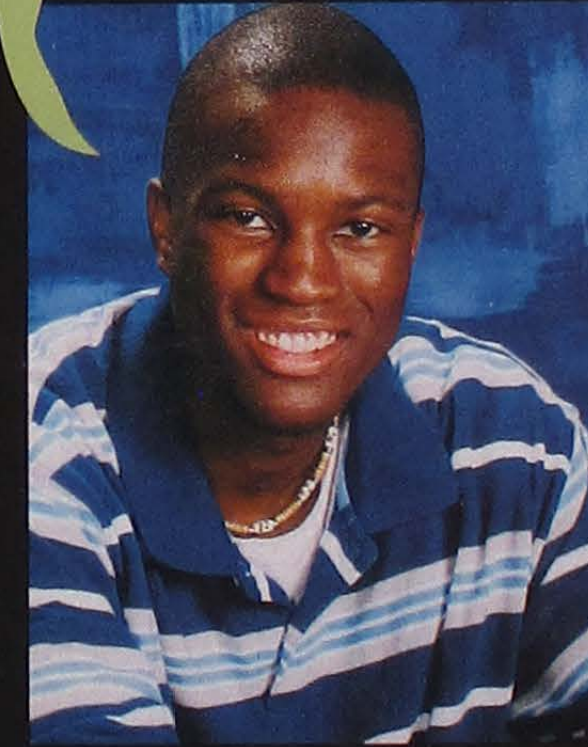
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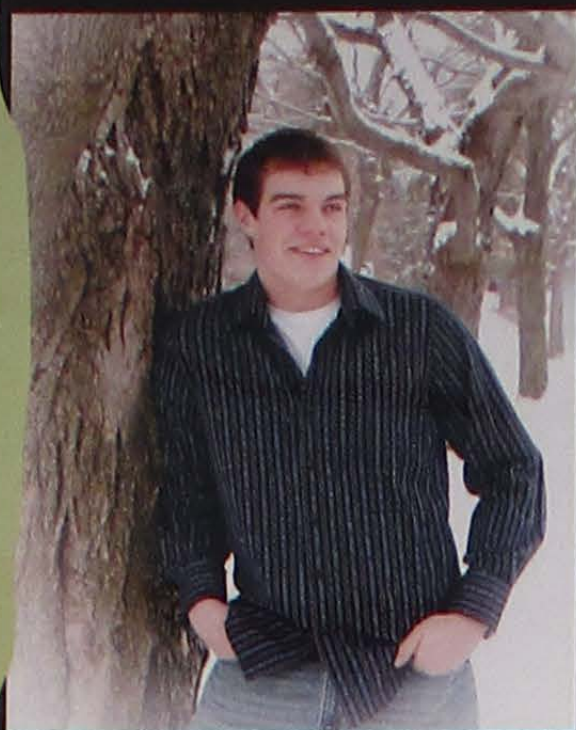
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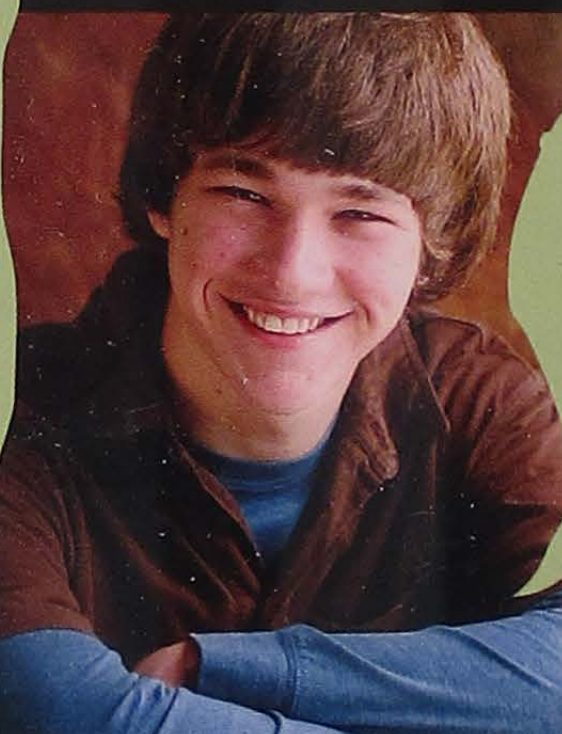
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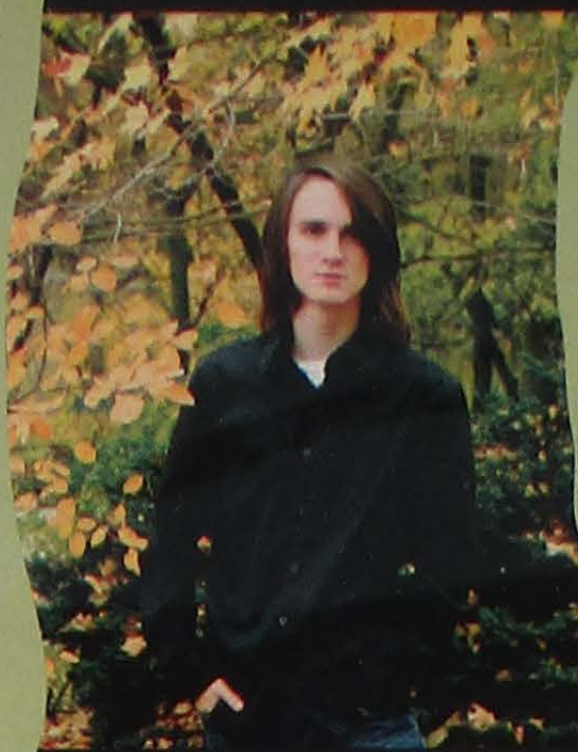
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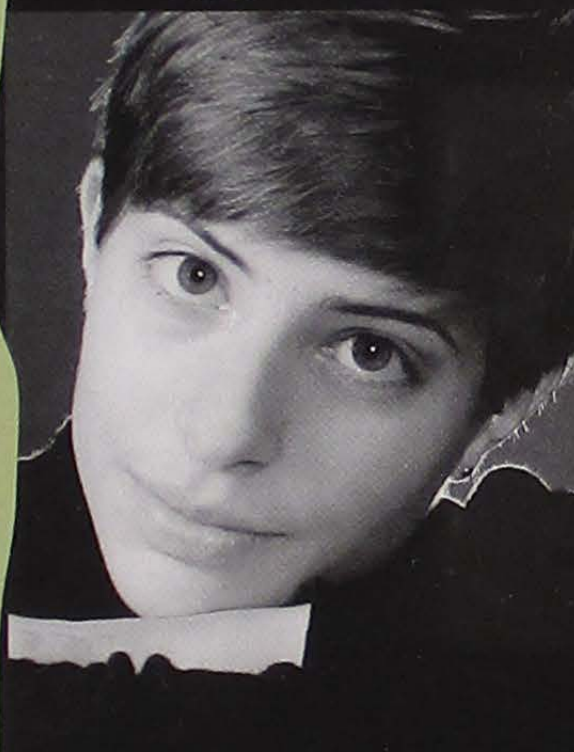
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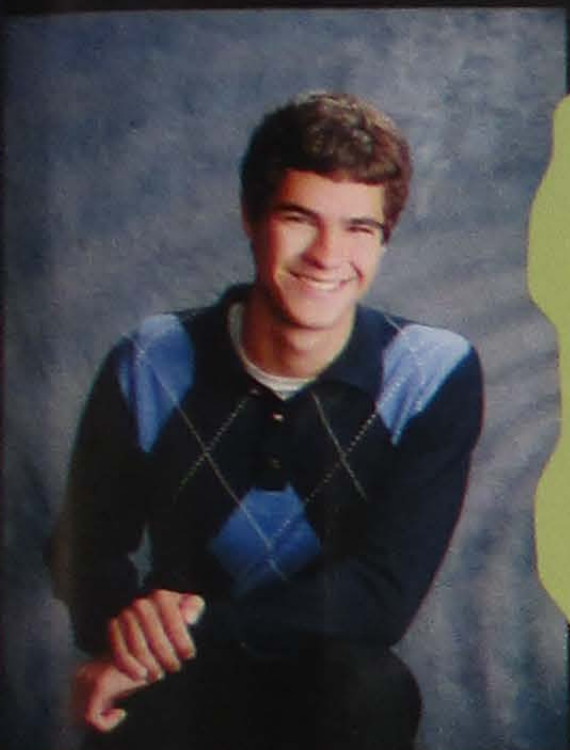
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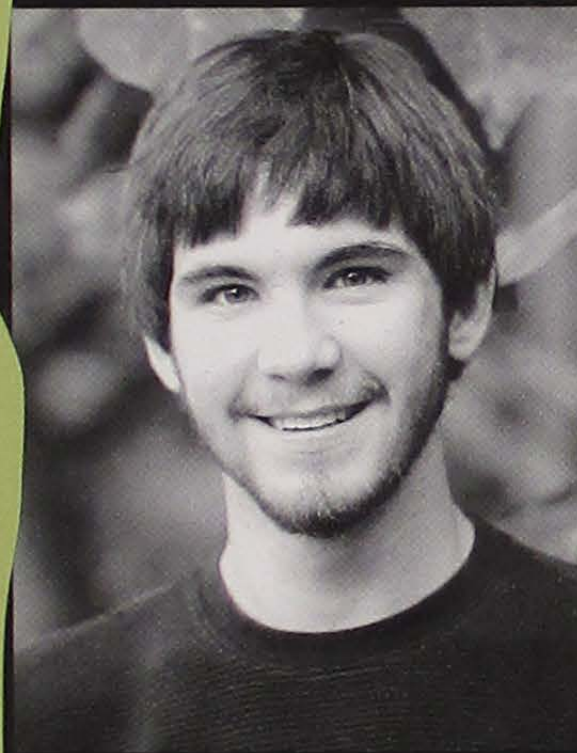
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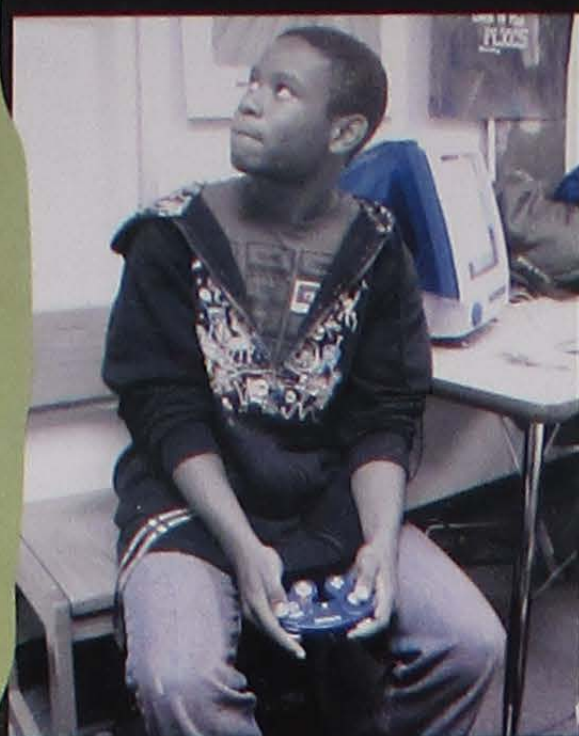
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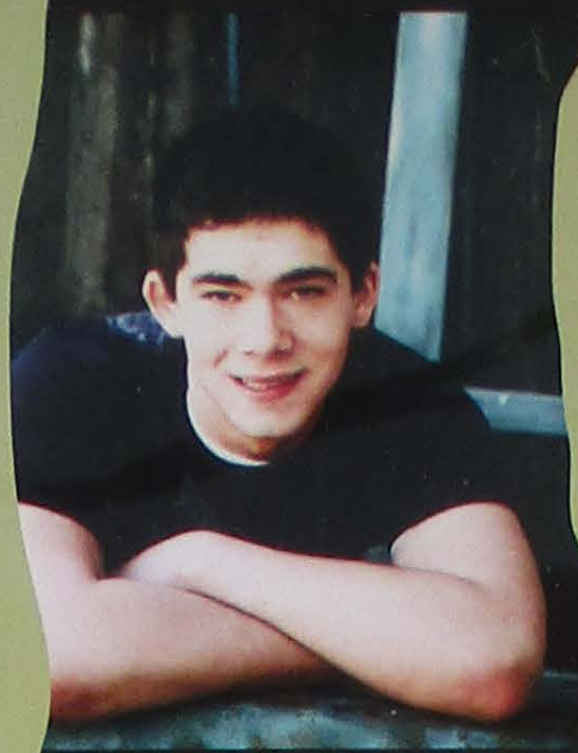
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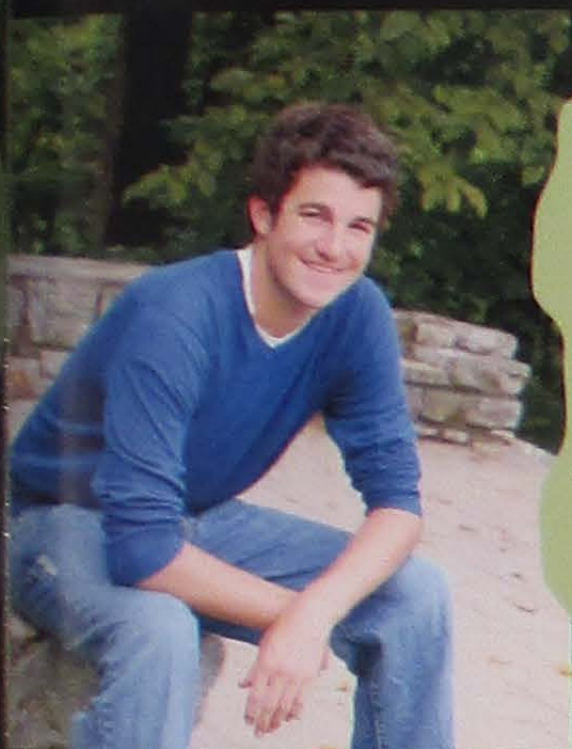
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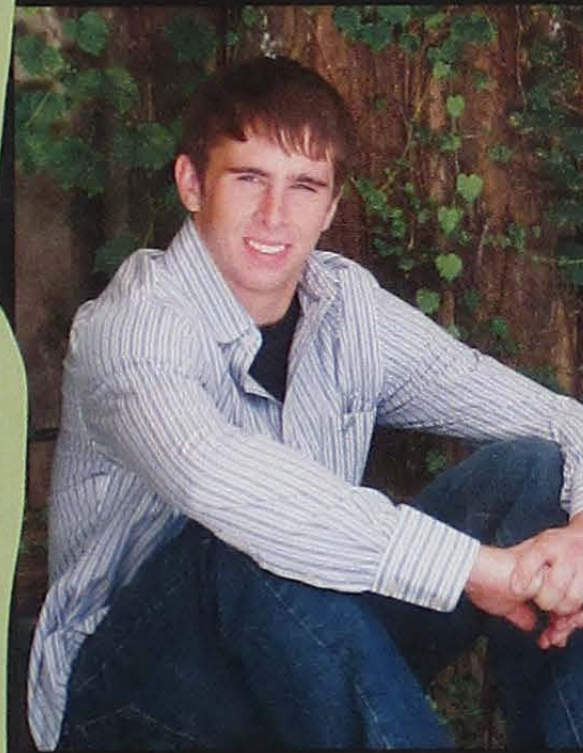
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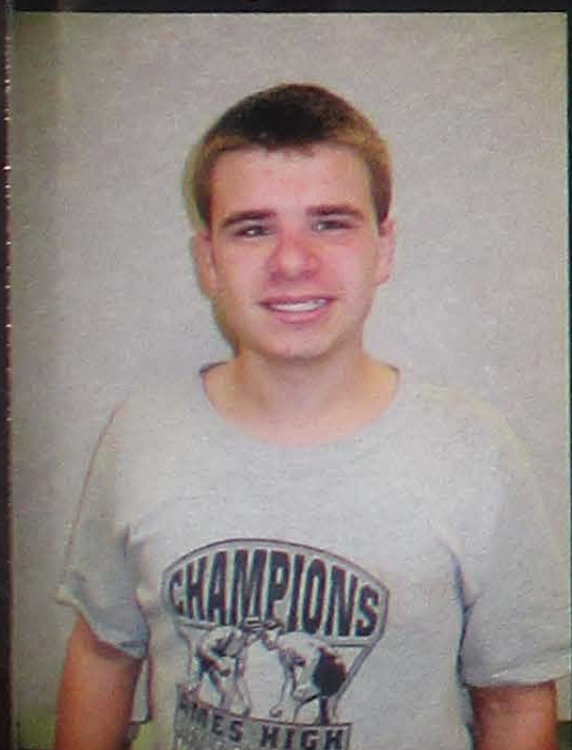
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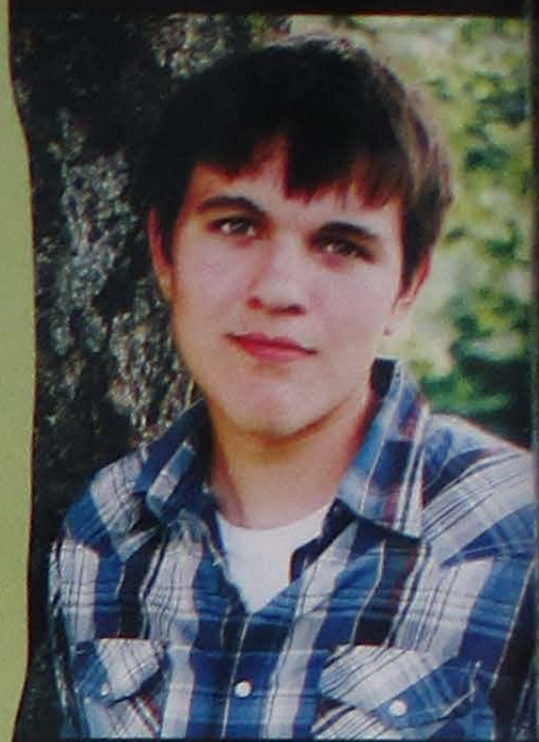
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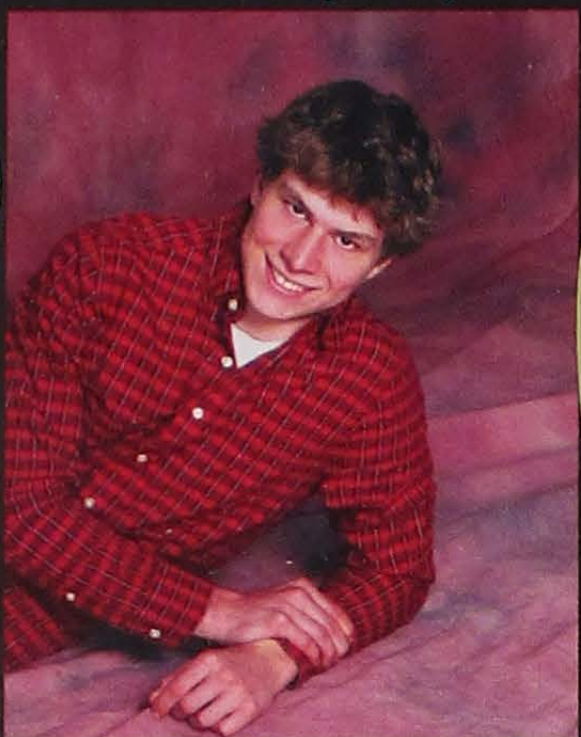
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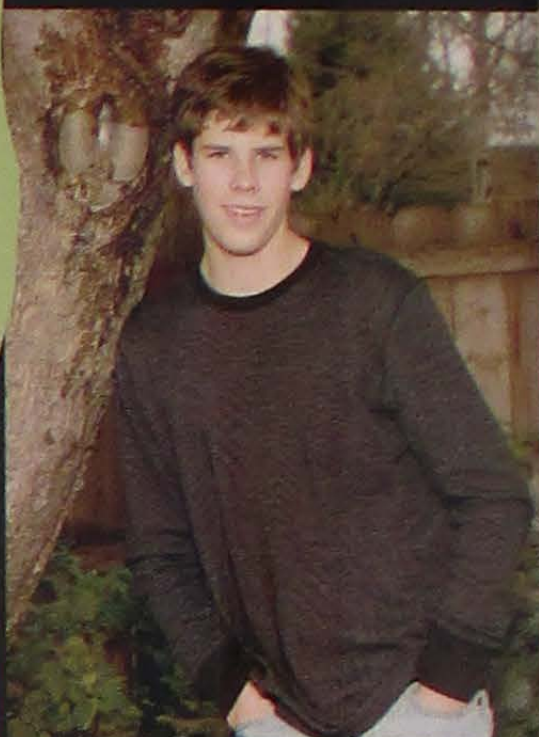
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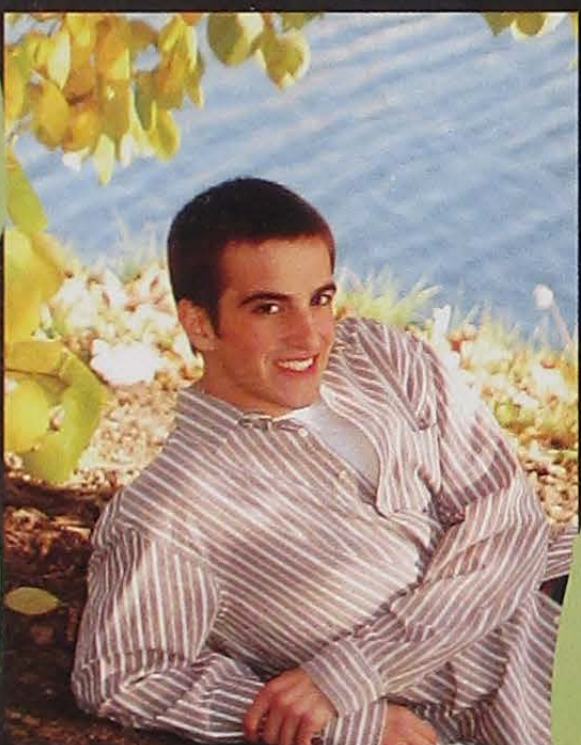
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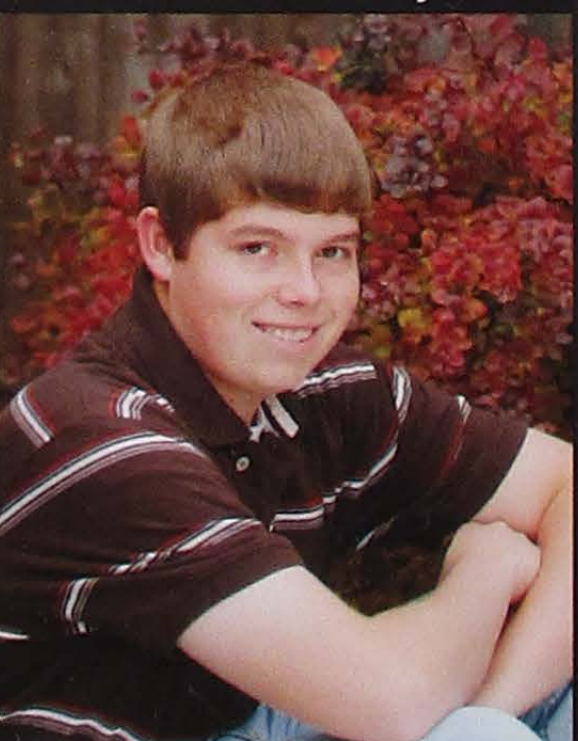
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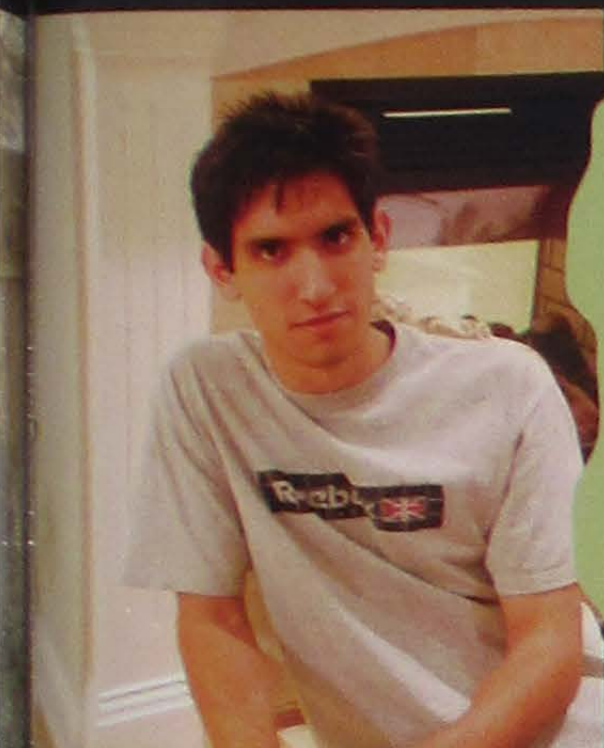
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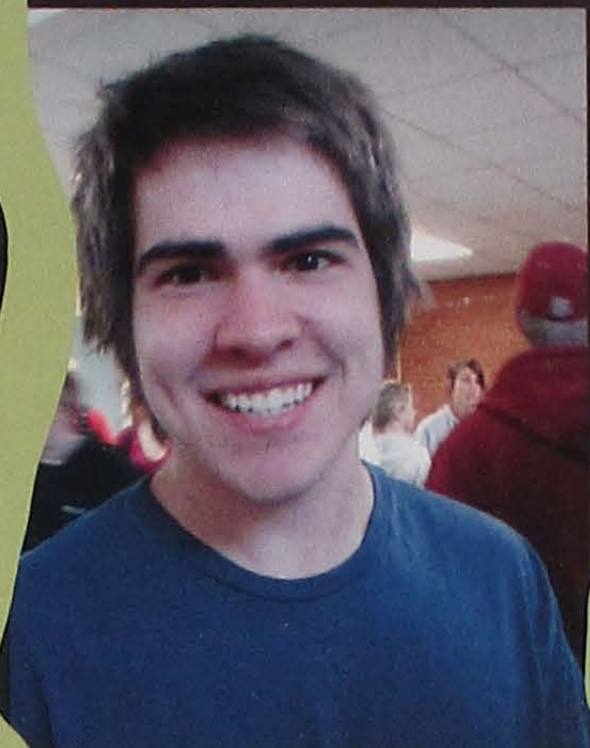
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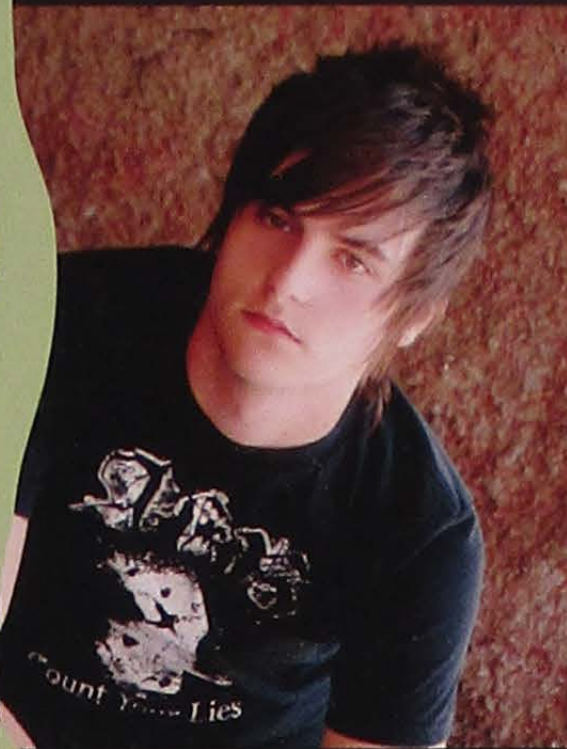
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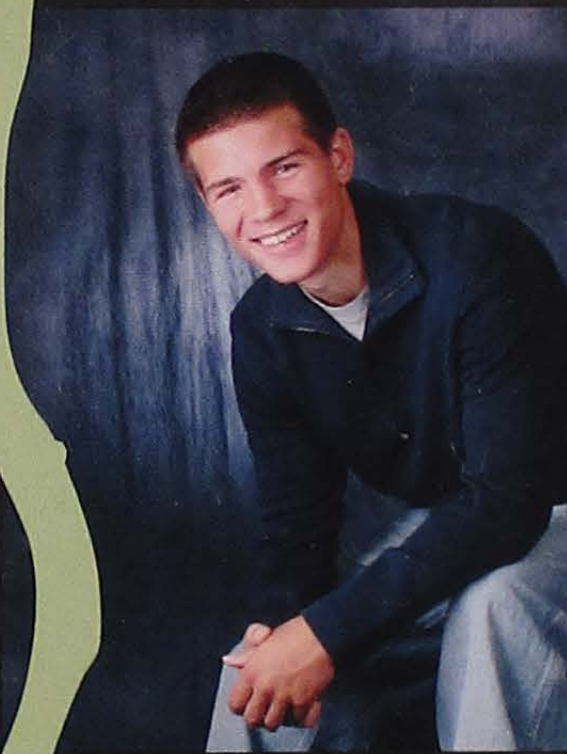
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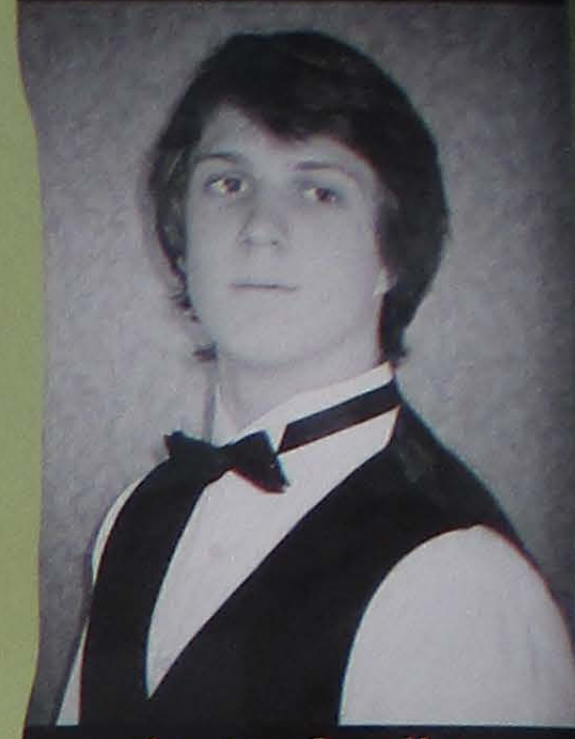
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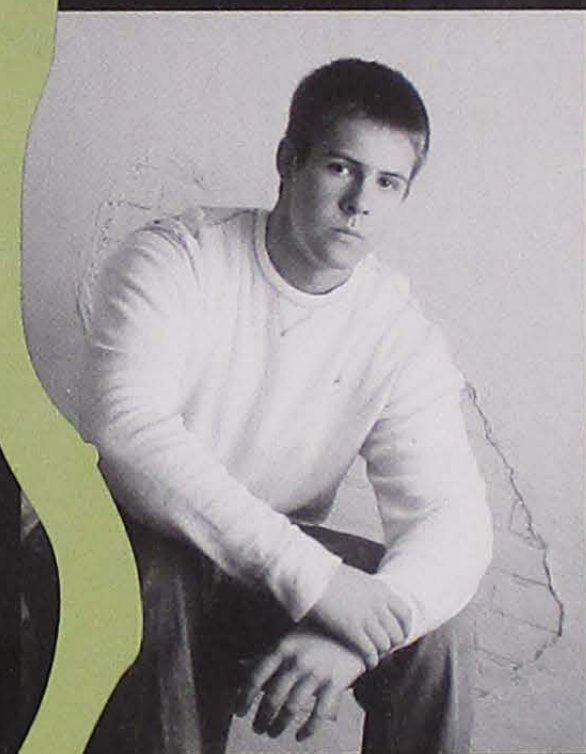
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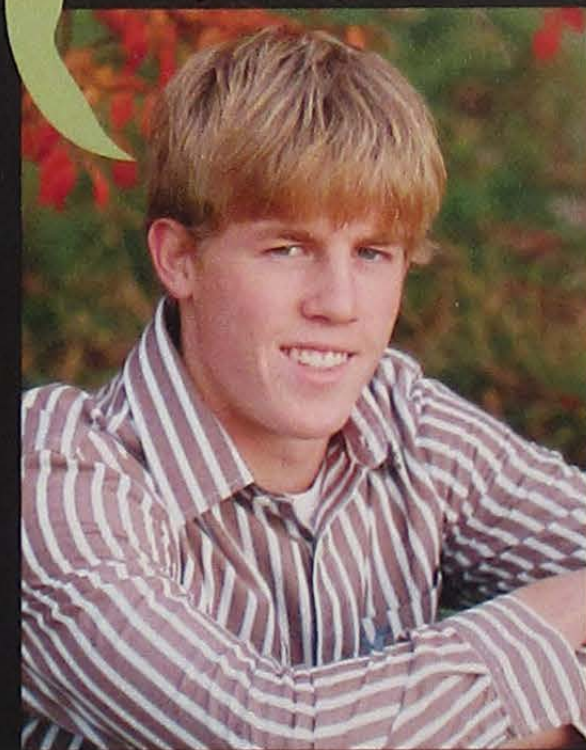
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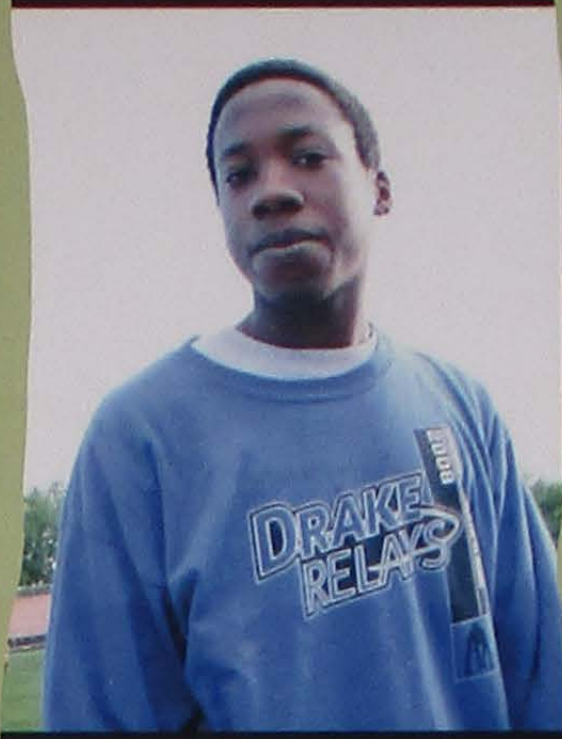
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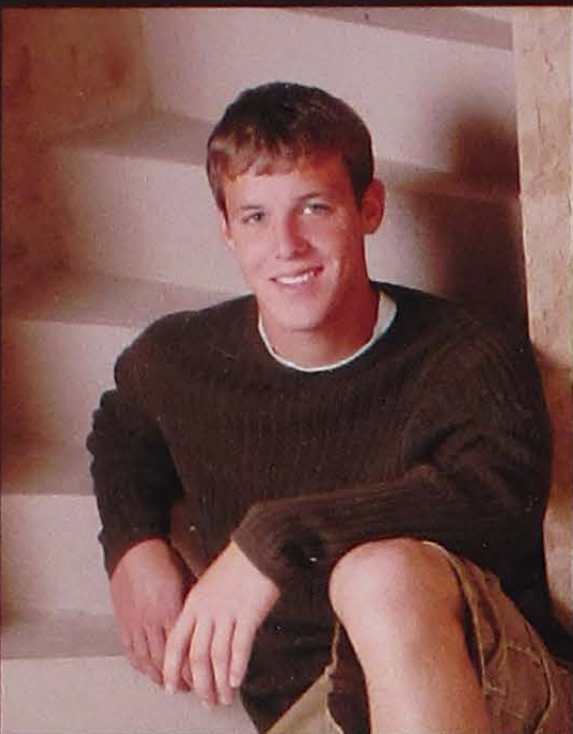
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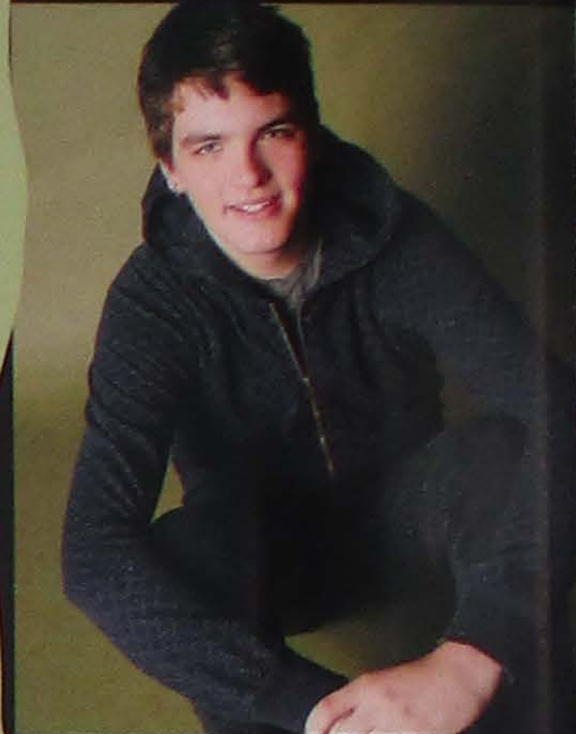
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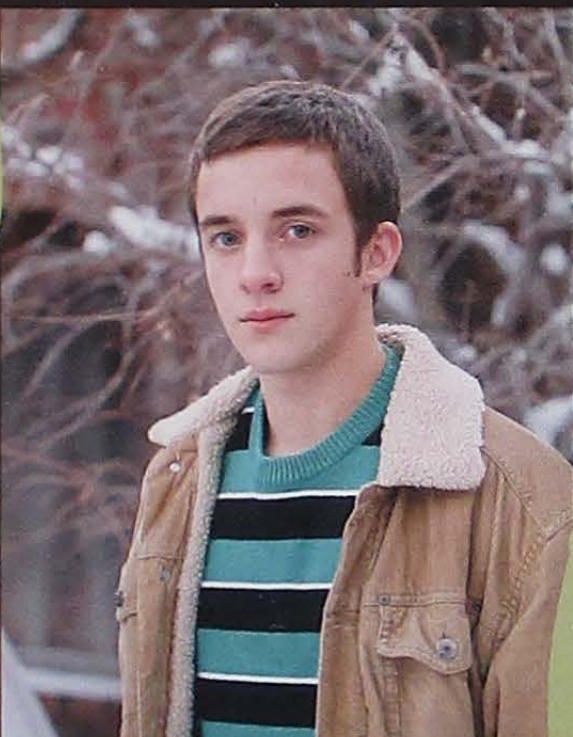
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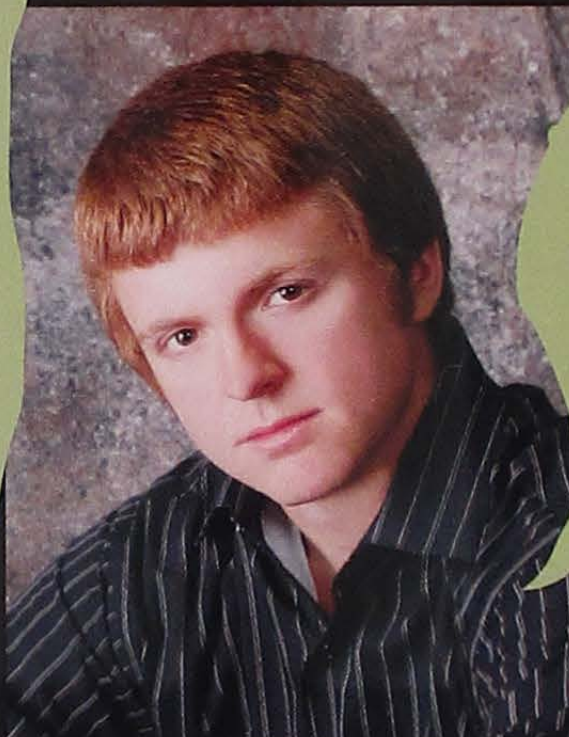
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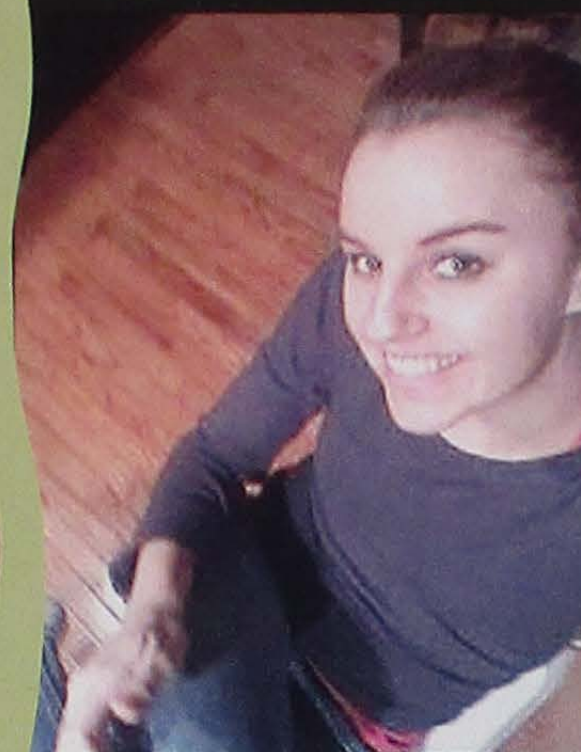
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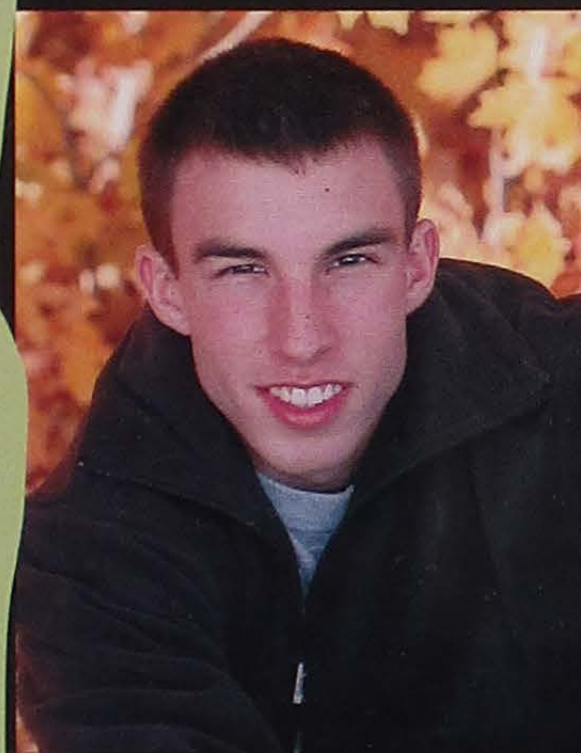
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Raymond Wolt



Frances Xin



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Molly Packer



Connie Sikinyi

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Samantha Artese

Erin Barnard

Laura Beckett

Jessy Bennett

Andre Brisbon

Elijah Chausse

Michael Chenoweth

Ryan Cornelis

Natalia Correa

Christopher Cowan

Michael Davis

Ravyne Davis

Alexander Deam

Natalie Deam

Andrew Doyle

Josiah Egan

Rami Elkhatib

James Elliot

Adam Ellis

Kimberly Eue

Deonte Evans

D Thomas Fields

Barbara Frazier

Patrick Fry

Rachel Geary-Shen

William Gilbert

Dionne Harden

Bahja Haron

Ashley Hayes

Michael Haythorn

Peter Heising-Finn

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James Honzatko

Tiffany Izer

Andrzej Jarecki

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Robert Kimbrough

Ashley Kinna

Anthony Koranda

Clifton Lagrange

William Maiers

Jessica Mayfield

Jeremy McCorley

Amber McKenna

Aaron Miller

Tyler Miller

Michael Morgan

Amber Murray

Deborah Ndjerareou

Harry Nickerson

Courtney Ochan-

paugh

Alanna O'Hara

Mia Olufade

Chelsea Orey

Keith Patton

Jessica Plander

Stephanie Plander

Joshua Pry

Mindy Renstrom

Billie Ridnour

Travis Rolph

Preston Rowley

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William Rundle

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James Schmidt

Shannon Seay

Jiaxin Shi

Stephanie Shipley

Robert Shryock

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Julia Stone

Nathanael Stott

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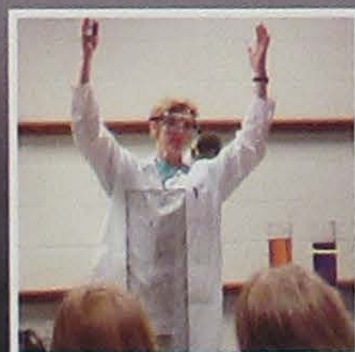
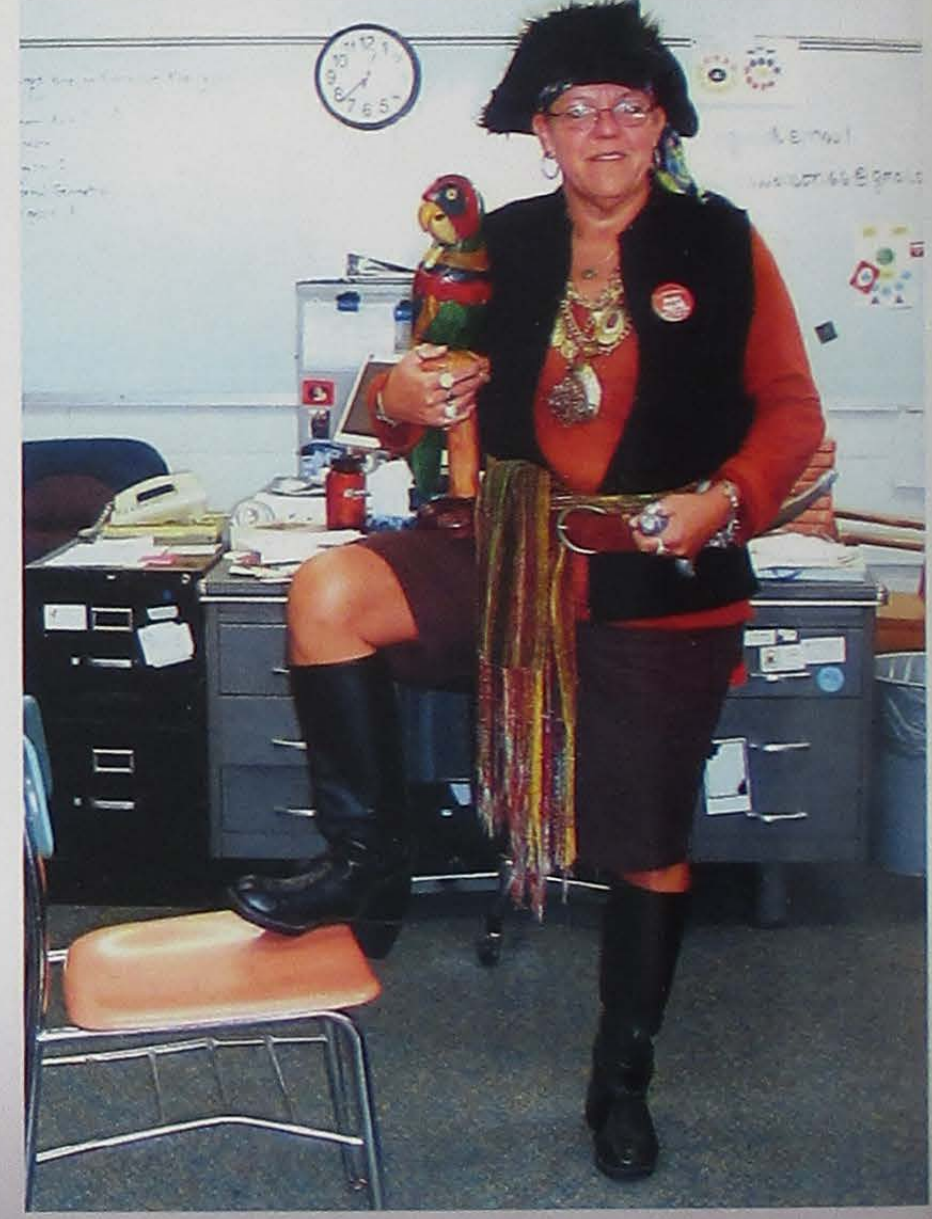
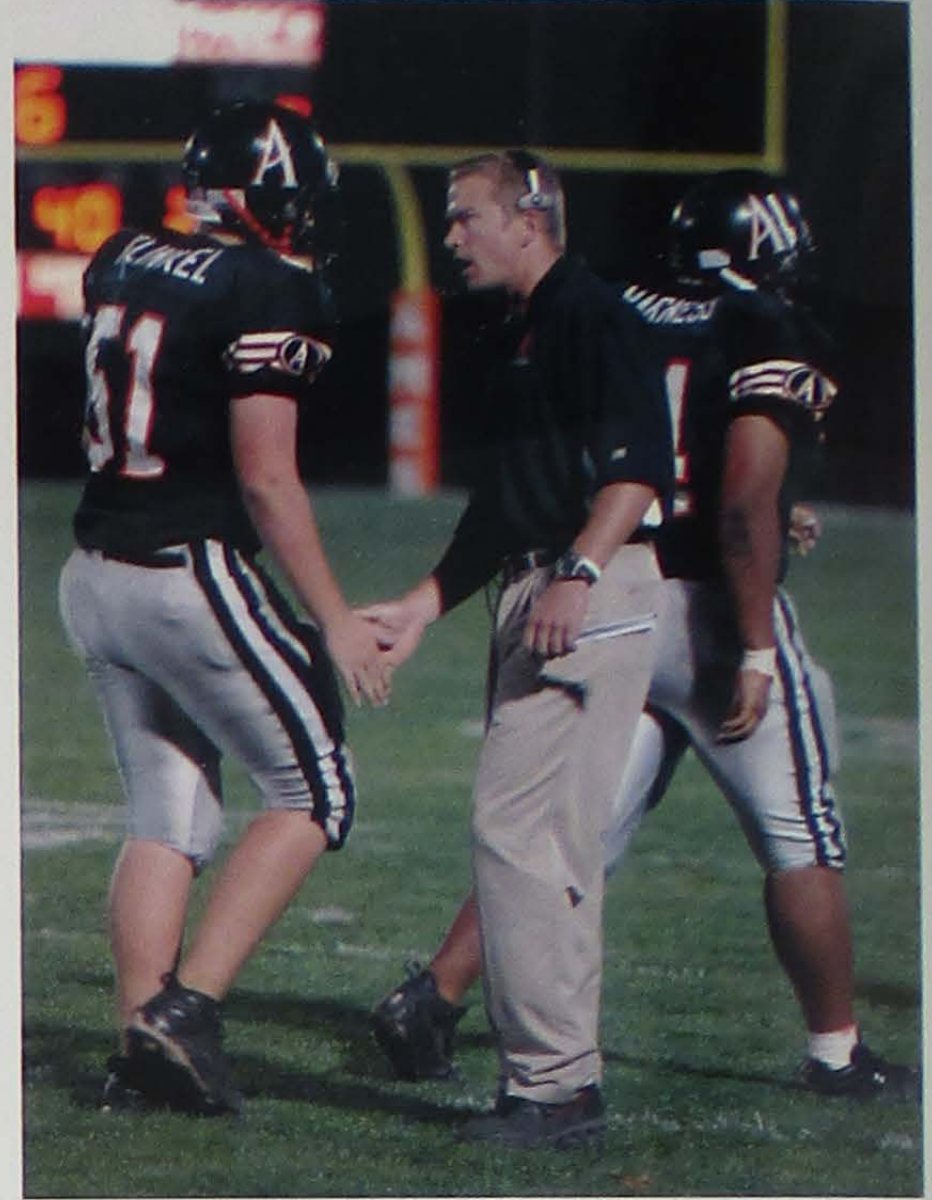
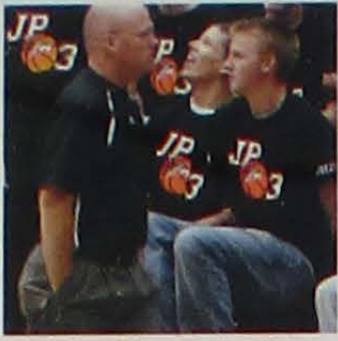
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Thanks for the memories...



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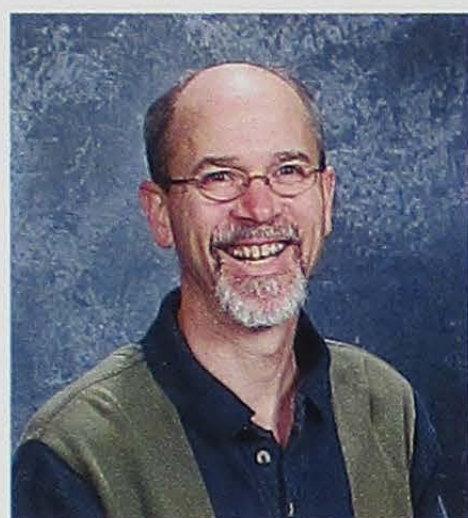




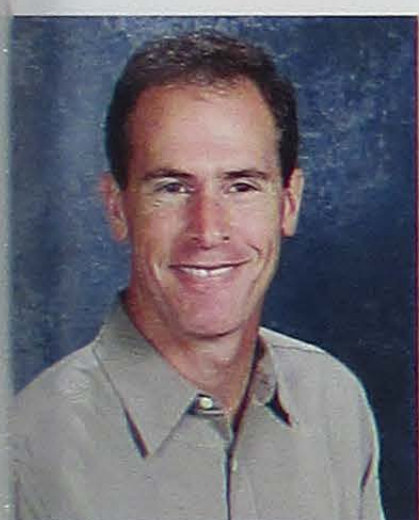
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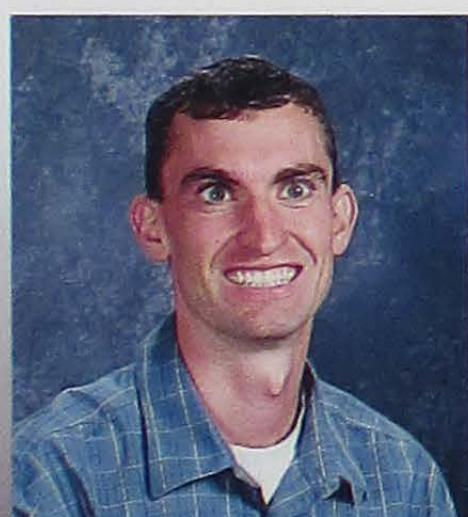
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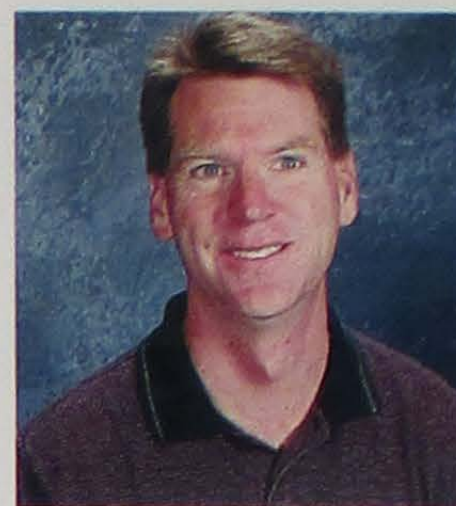


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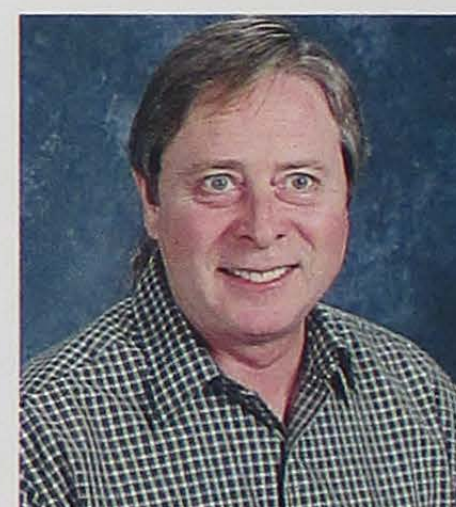
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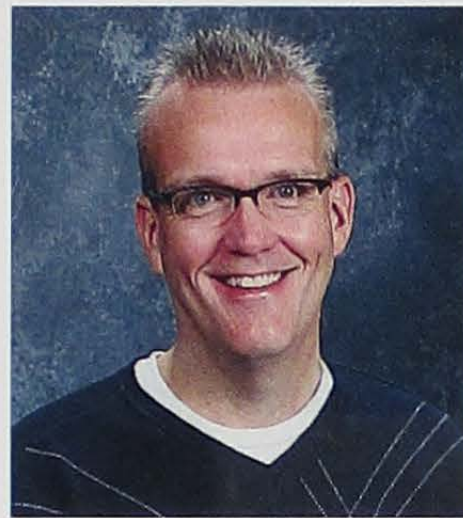
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Sally Matters
Thelma Maxwell
Bridget McCarley
Mary Mekemson



Janet Mickelson
Kirsti Minion
Tim Mooney
Carla Mulvaney

Sarah Ness
Cheryl Ott
Kathy Packer
Chris Paulson



Claudette Peterson
Mary Polashek
Sandra Quintero
Wendi Reger



Samuel Reichart
Tracy Rial
Charles Ripley
Shaeley Santiago



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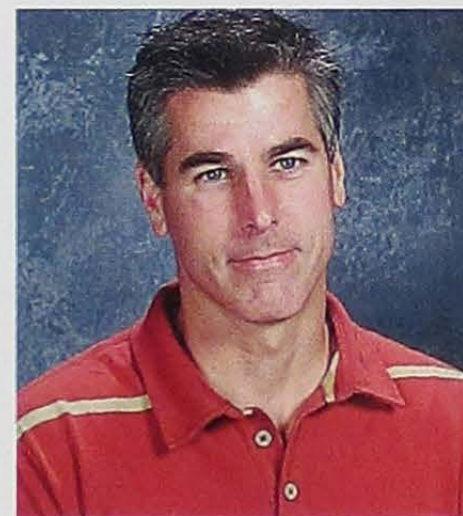
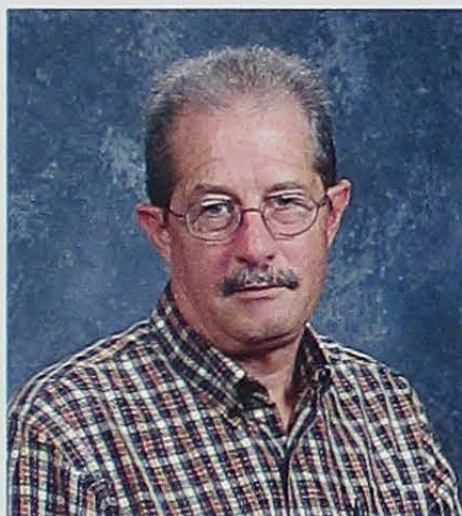
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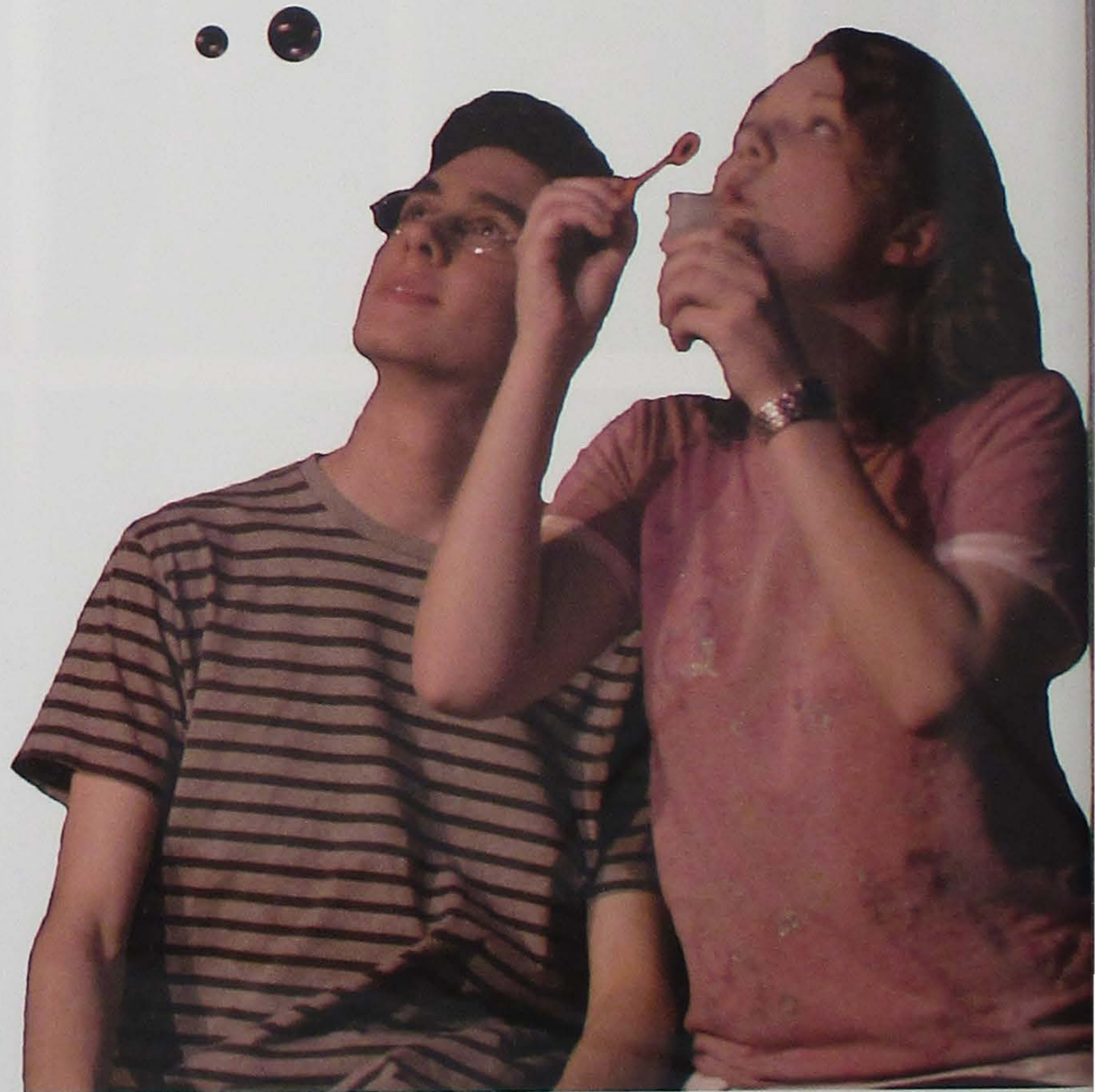


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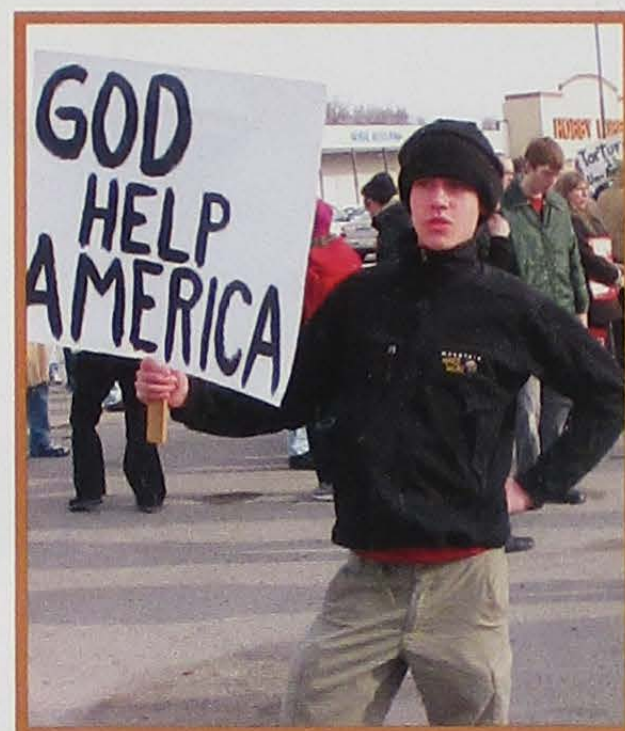


Whether it be in the classroom, on the field, or on the stage, Ames High is committed to excellence. Here are just a few images to showcase the amazing diversity of Ames High.





Sled Party! - Making the most of the extreme winter weather, these senior girls take a run down cemetery hill. (photo by Magon Lui)



Peaceful Protest - Caring enough to let his voice be heard, senior **Stephen Bonett** participates in a peace rally. (photo by Andy Boyd)



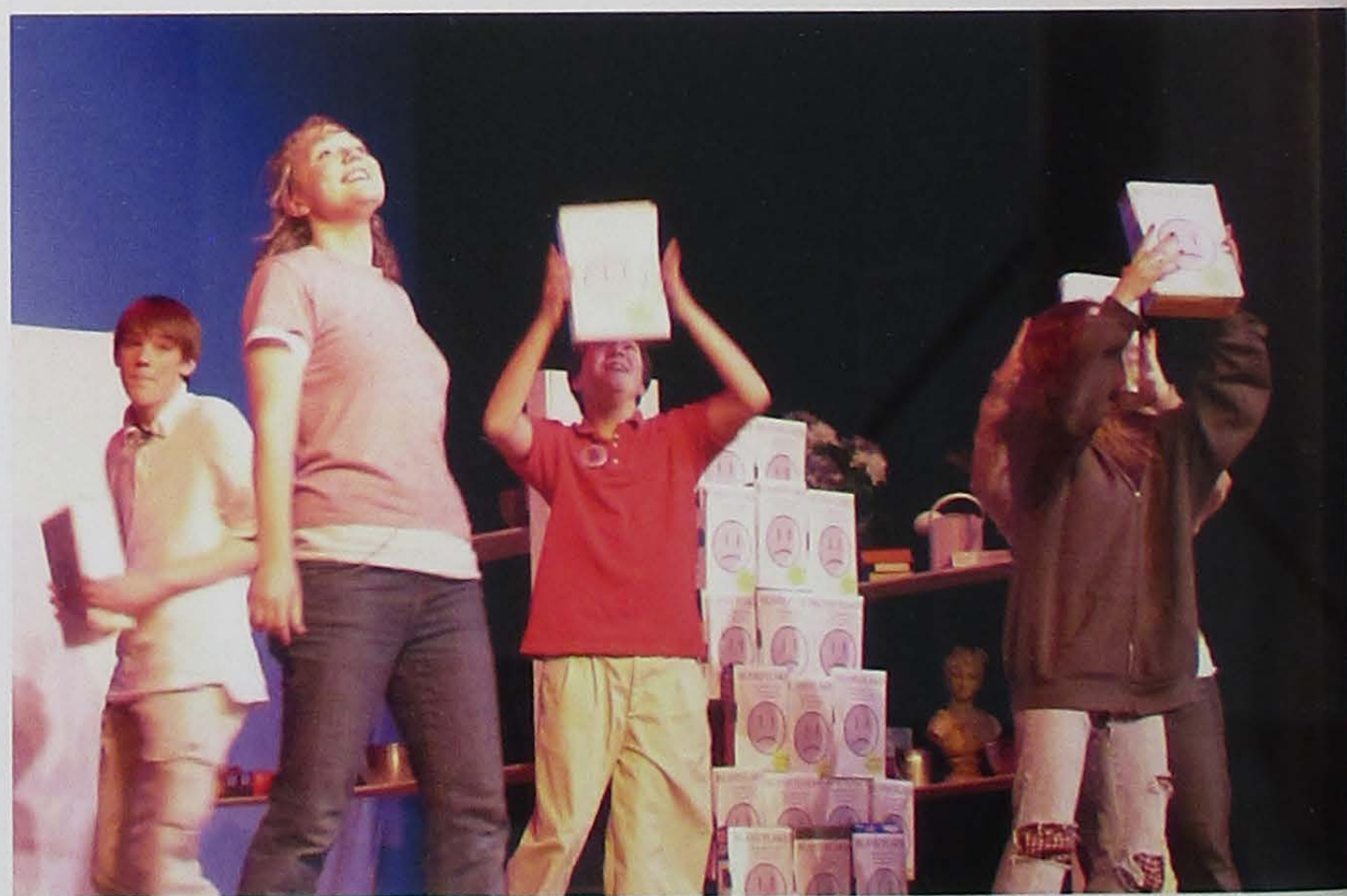
Go, Diego, Go! - Proving that you're never too old to have fun, senior **Ben Pyle** prepares for the ultimate tailgate party. (photo by Tony Chung)

Highlights



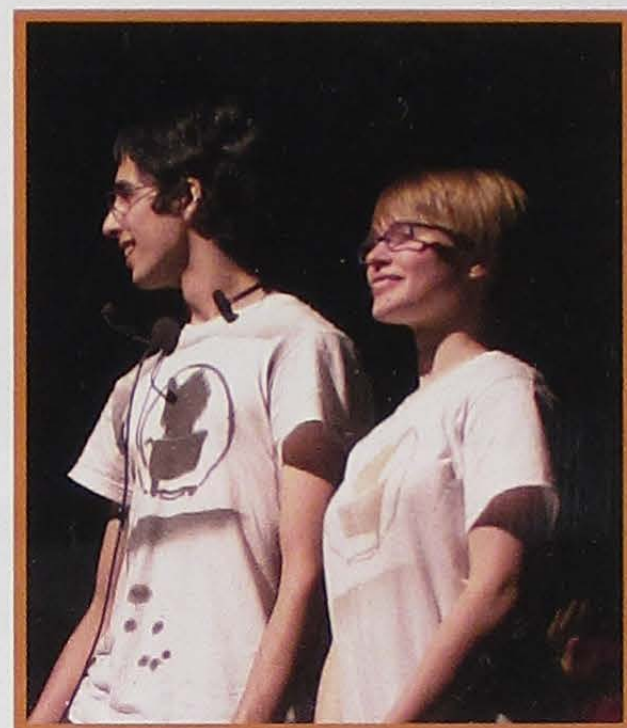
The Protagonist

One of the great highlights of the year came in the form of a student written and directed musical, *the Protagonist*, from the amazing minds of Jacob Canfield and Hannah Button-Harrison. This professional quality production proved just how far we can go if we're allowed to reach for it.





A Cereal Girl - Singing in ecstasy about, well, cereal, sophomore **Delaney Kolb** shares a light moment on the stage. (photo by James Webb)



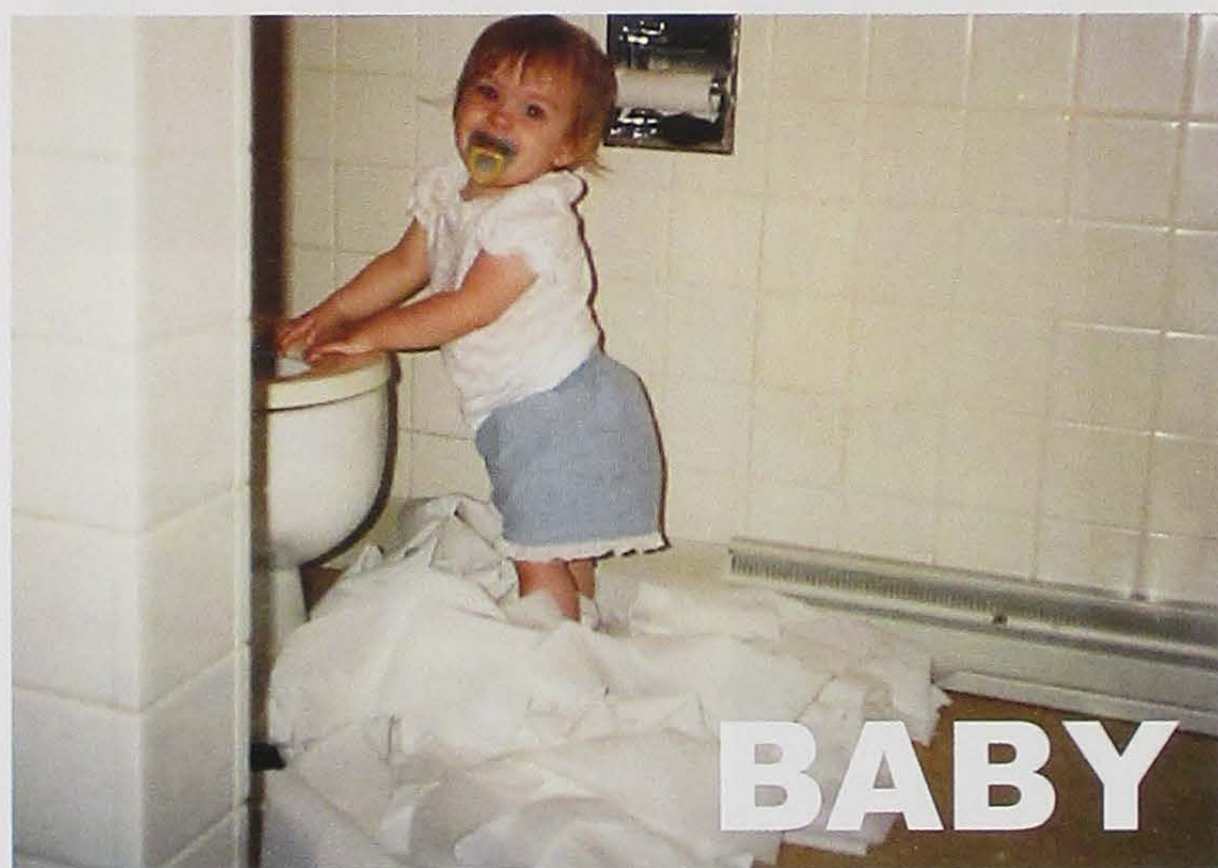
Dynamic Duo- Receiving the applause of an appreciative crowd, seniors **Jacob Canfield** and **Hannah Button-Harrison**, who co-wrote and directed the musical, bask in glory of a job well done. (photo by Leah Hansen)



Did I Say That Out Loud? - Unaware that she can hear his inner dialogue, Carl, played by sophomore **Alex Kirstukas**, expresses his desire for senior **Mary Woeste**'s character, the Protagonist. (photo by Leah Hansen) 179



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Wherever you go, go with all your heart!



**Nikki- Stay exactly like you are,
beautiful inside and out. You will
always be our little "Snuffy!"**

**We love you!
GG and GPa**

NATTIE, SOPHIA, MALORI, CLARISSA, AND AIMEE



**"For I know the plans I have for
you," declares the Lord. "Plans to
prosper you and not to harm you,
plans to give you a hope and a
Future."**

Jeremiah 29:11

KYLIE DRZYCIMSKI

**Trust your heart and
follow your dreams
and you will
succeed in whatever
you choose to do.**

**Love ya, Always!
Mom, Blaine, Kara,
and Cole**



JOHN CASPER MCCLELLAND

**Congratulations,
John!
We're so proud of
you.**

**Love,
Mom, Dad, Christina,
and Tom**



SAM VAN FLEET

You're the best!

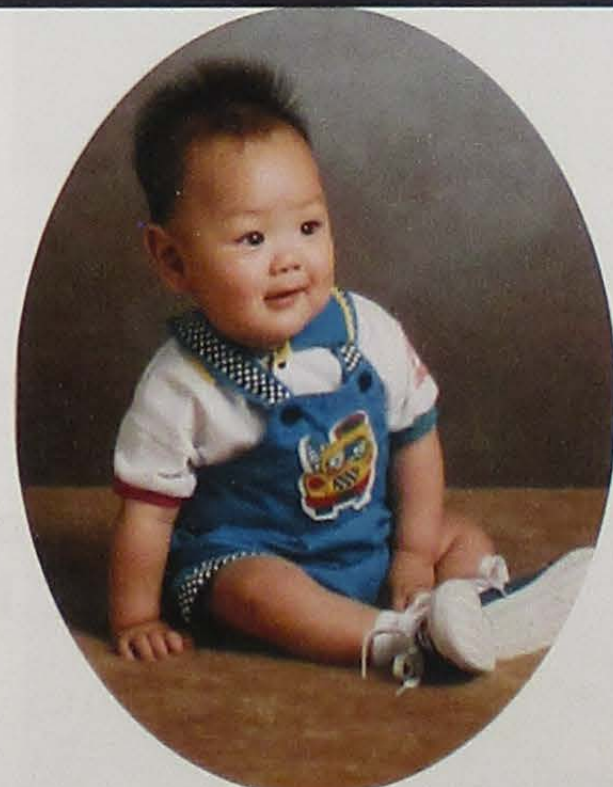
**We love you.
Mom, Dad,
Lindsey, and Jim**



ERIC MILLER

**Congratulations,
Eric!**

**We love you,
Mom, Dad, and
Alex**





As your life swings from childhood to adulthood, your family congratulates you. We wish you success as you progress from DMACC to UNI to complete your goal to become a Science/Biology teacher.

JENNIFER HOCKETT

Love,
Dad, Mom, and Tom



MALLORY SORENSON



Mallory: We have enjoyed watching you grow into a beautiful young woman! You have a great future ahead of you; keep working toward your dreams and they will come true. We love you and wish you much happiness in your life.

Love,
Mom, Dad, Brooke, Ashley, Eric, and Peanut

KIMBERLY STANIFORTH



Go far, Kimberly, but come back often.

Love,
Mom, Dad, Nate, Katherine, and Ben



Keep smiling! Listen to your heart and be true to yourself. Follow your dreams. We are proud of you and look forward to sharing the adventures to come.

EMILY BARCLAY

All our love and prayers go with you!
Mom, Dad, Ben, and Andrew





Thank you for all the great memories and happiness you have brought to our lives. We could not be more proud of you.

MARC GILARSKI

Love,
Mom, Dad, Mary, and
John



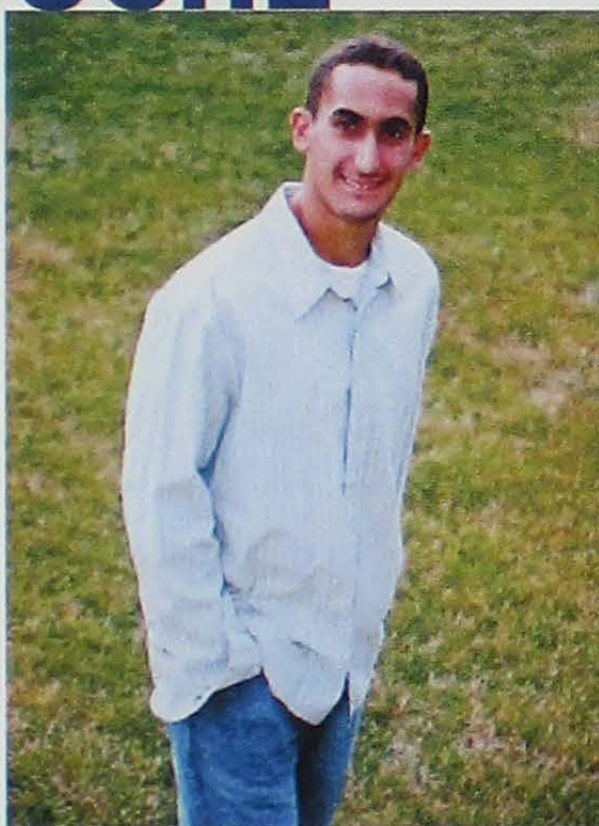
ADAM HALBUR



Dream big. Congratulations, we are proud of you!

With love,
Dad, Mom, Mary, Chris. and Martin

KARL HAMOUCHE



It is time to let you go again...
(ISU is far enough, don't you agree?)

"Sons are a heritage from the Lord, children
a reward from him." Ps. 127:3

Karl you're a precious gift from God.
Love always,
Mom and Dad



You have been a joy. We are very proud of you and your accomplishments.

LUKE BAUER

We love you,
Mom, Dad, and Steve



KYLE JOHNSON



We are very proud of who you are and who you are becoming. Stay true to yourself, your values, your faith, and your dreams. Continue to explore, dream, and discover, and your life will be interesting and exciting.

**We love you dearly,
Mom, Dad, and Nia**

LARISSA JONES



**Congratulations,
Pud!
We are very proud
of you and all your
accomplishments.**

**Love,
Mom, Dad, and Eric**



JORDAN JACOBSON

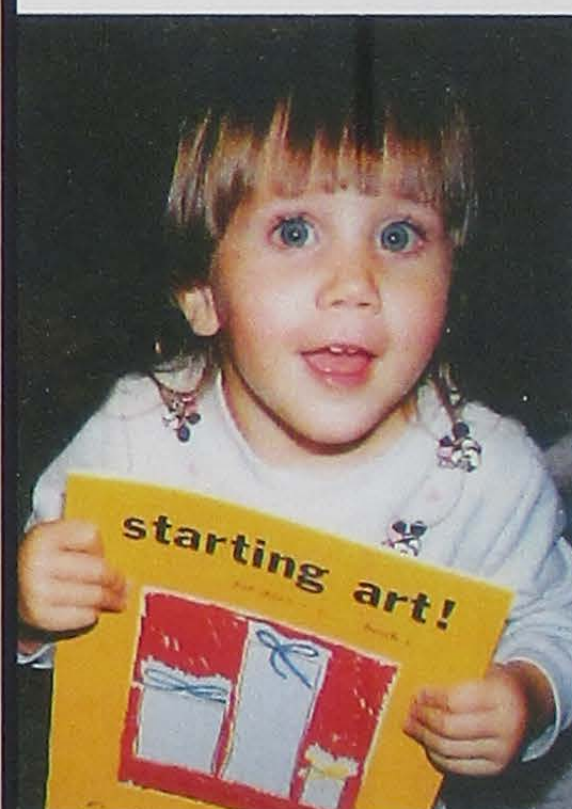
**"Whatever your hand
finds to do, do it with
all your might."
Ecclesiastes 9:10**

**You are our bright
and talented son and
brother. We know you
will accomplish
amazing things. May
your dreams come
true.**

**Love,
Mom, Dad, Sarah, and
Jessica**



EMILY ERBES



**"In all things God works for the good of those
who love him, who have been called
according to his purpose." Romans 8:28
May your next chapter in life continue the
call you have received and define even
further His purpose for your life.**

**Love,
Mom, Dad, Ben, and Tim
P.S. Hickory and Rajah too!**

ANYA ROBSON

Anya,
Congratulations
on your high
school
graduation.
You've got a great
future ahead of
you!

Love,
Mom, Dad, and
Sam



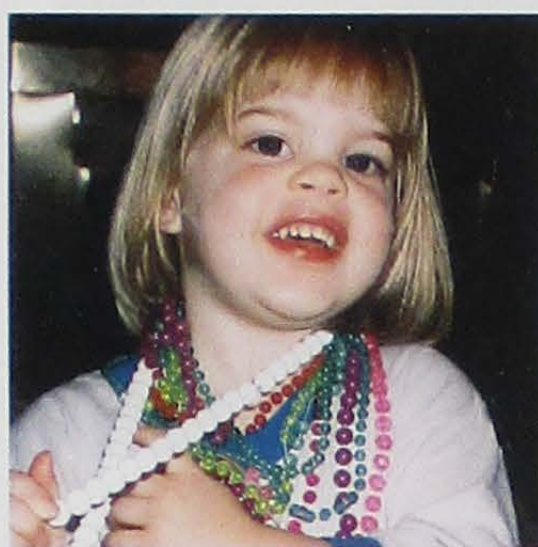
RACHEL HARMON

"Commit to the Lord
whatever you do,
and your plans will
succeed."

Proverbs 16:3

Congratulations!
We are so proud
of you!

Love,
Dad, Mom, and
Adam



REBECCA VOSS

You are as
beautiful on the
inside as you are on
the outside. We are
so proud of you
and your
accomplishments!



May God guide
you to a bright and
prosperous
future.

With all of
our love,
Dad, Pam, and
Daniel



KIMBERLY STANIFORTH and MARC HEITZMAN

Kim and Marc-
Thanks for the
memories.

-Moms and Dads



ALESHIA GERRITSON



Now that you are a strong and beautiful young lady, remember that your roots are the foundation to build upon. Just don't let your seeds float too far from home. We are so proud of you.

**Dare to know...
Dare to believe!**



We love you...

**CONRAD
LUECKE**

... Mom, Dad, Mirelle,
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Love always-
Mom, Dad, and Bethany

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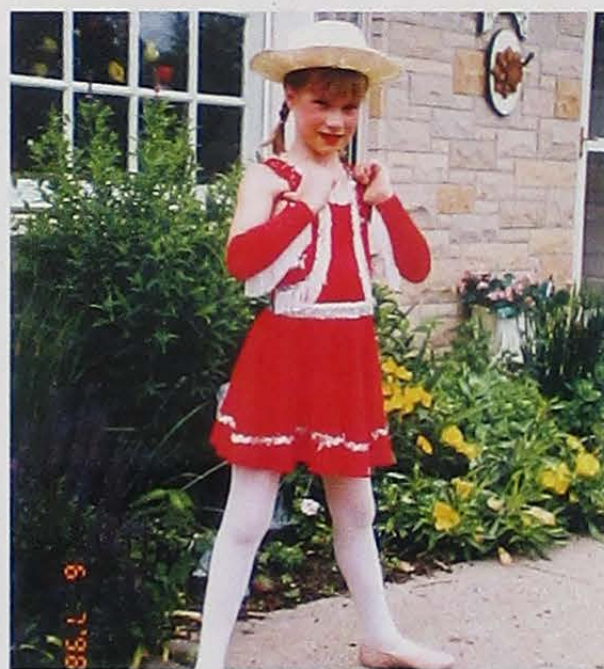


It's been a joy to watch you grow into a beautiful, intelligent, and talented young woman. We'll love you always, Mom and Dad

ANNA CARSWELL

Anna,
You have a bright future
ahead. We love you very
much and wish you much
joy.

XOXO Mom and Dad



JOHN KLOTZBACH

Then give to the world
the best you have, and
the best will come back
to you.

All our love,
Mom, Dad, and Katie



MATT DEARBORN

You have come
a long way. I am
very proud of you.

Love,
Mom



LEAH HANSEN

Enjoy your life! Laugh a
lot. Love a lot. Listen to
your heart, and
follow where it leads
you. We are so proud of
you, Leah!

Love,
Mom, Dad, and Matt



ANDY BOYD

Congratulations, Andy! We are very proud of you. This is just the beginning. May music fill your life with joy.

We love you, Mom, Dad, Leah, and Beth



ZEKE MUSSELMAN



Zeke, follow your dreams. You can accomplish anything you put your heart into.

**Love,
Mom and Dad**

BEN SCHNABLE



You bring us much joy, and we are very proud of the fine young man you have become. Keep reaching for the stars!

**Love,
Mom, Dad, and James**

KAITLIN MOORE



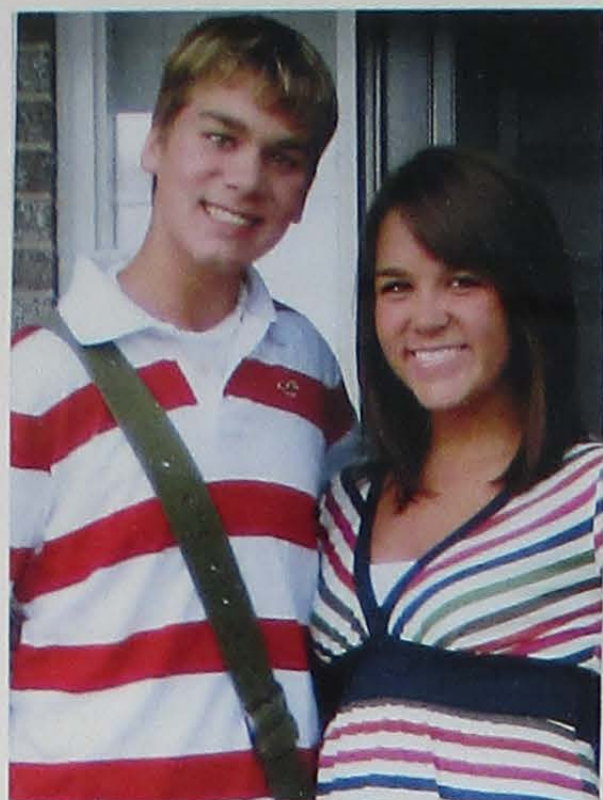
"Do not worry about anything, but pray and ask God for everything you need, always giving thanks."

**Philippians
4:6**

We are so proud of the person you have become. Your zest for life is ever present. Remember to "Live, Love, Laugh"

**Love,
Dad, Mom,
and Andrew**

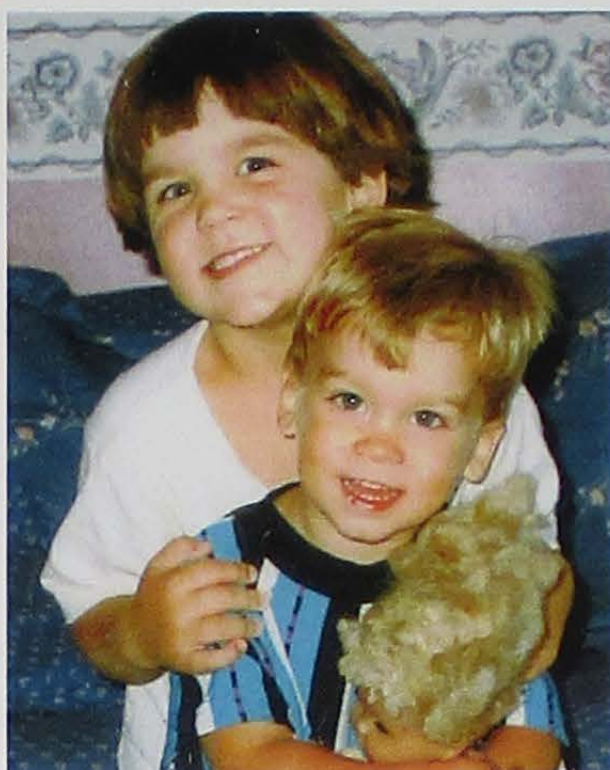




NIKKI KERNS

My sister.
My friend.
Together since the
beginning, forever
til the end.
Congratulations!

Love,
Matt



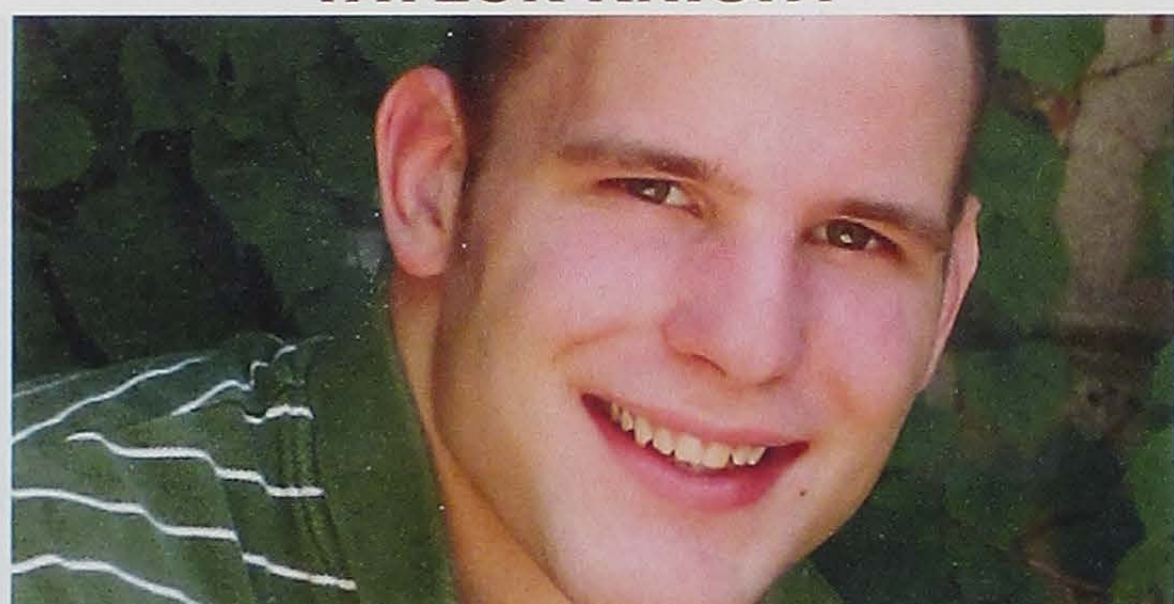
PAIGE OLSON

Life is not measured
by the breaths we take,
but by the moments
that take our breath
away. Thank you for
all the "moments" you
have given us.

You are special to us
and we love you!
Dad, Mom, Nicole,
and Lindsey (ISA)



TAYLOR KNIGHT



Congratulations, Buck! We are proud of you and have
enjoyed watching you grow into a mature young man.
Love, Mom and Dad

MADRIGAL SENIORS



Madrigal magic will follow you all the days of your
lives. Best of luck.
Moms and Dads

ALESHIA GERRITSON

Off to college you go...
The tears in my eyes do not show...
So, always know...
I'd fall to where the devil lies.
I'd fly to where the good God flies.
I'd run to the end of the earth.
I'd show you how much you mean to
me.
I'd even swim the deepest part of
the sea.
I'll be here for you, forever it's true.

Your sister and your best friend,
Austin



AARON NOSTWICH

You may be all
"Grown Up,"
but you will
always be
"Fella Boy"
to me.

Way to go!
Dad



KINSEY BELZ

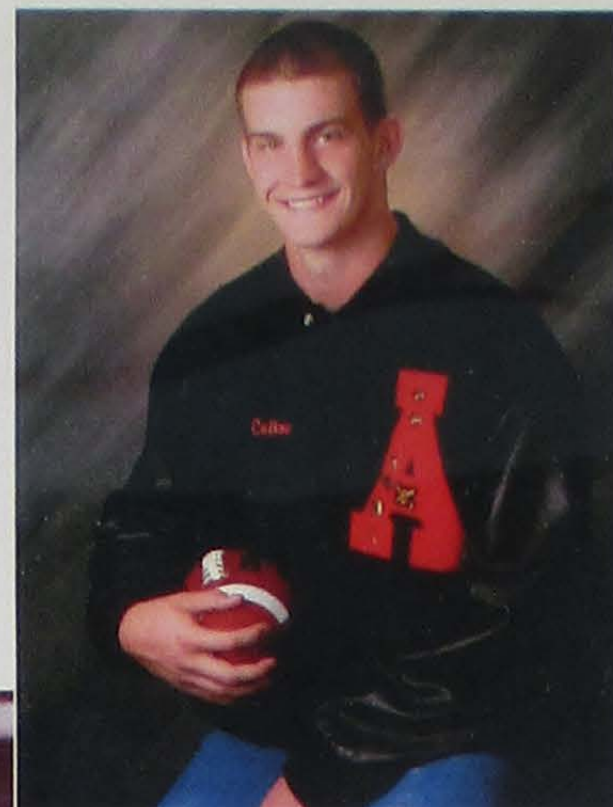


**Congratulations,
Kinsey!**

**Thank you for
being such a joy in
our lives! Always
believe in your-
self and follow your
dreams. You have
made us so proud!
We love you,
Mom, Dad, and
Ronna**



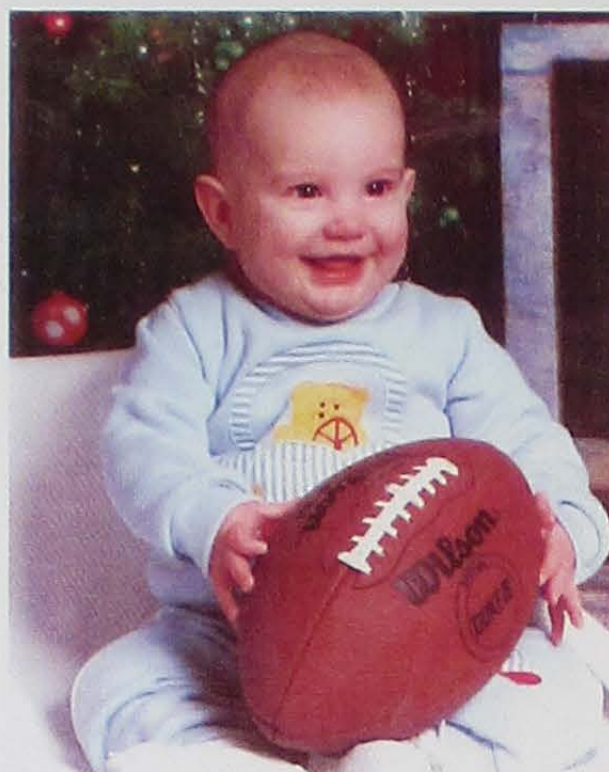
BEN COTTON



**"Show me a person who
is a success, and I'll show
you a person who has
overcome adversity." -Lou
Holtz**

**You've already faced
many obstacles in your
life. But you've never
given in or given up! We
admire your courage and
inner strength and are
proud to be your parents.
Congratulations, Ben. We
love you very much.**

Mom and Dad



THEO RINGGENBERG



**You have brains in your head. You have feet in your
shoes. You can steer yourself in any direction you
choose. You're on your own. And you know what
you know. YOU are the guy who'll decide where you
go. -Dr. Suess (Theodor Geisel)**

Theo... We love you! Mom, Dad, and TC

LINDSEY NIEHM

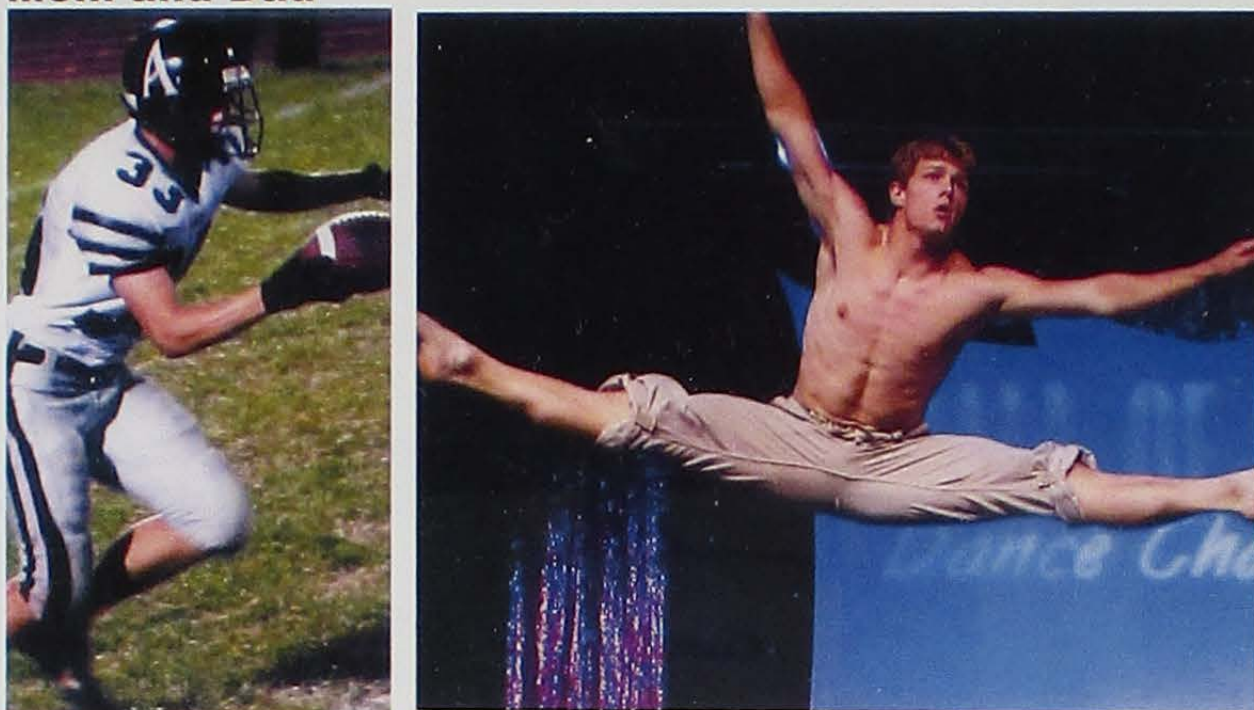


**We love you, Lindsey!
We are so proud of you and your
accomplishments. The sky is the limit!
Love,
Dad, Mom, and Lauren**

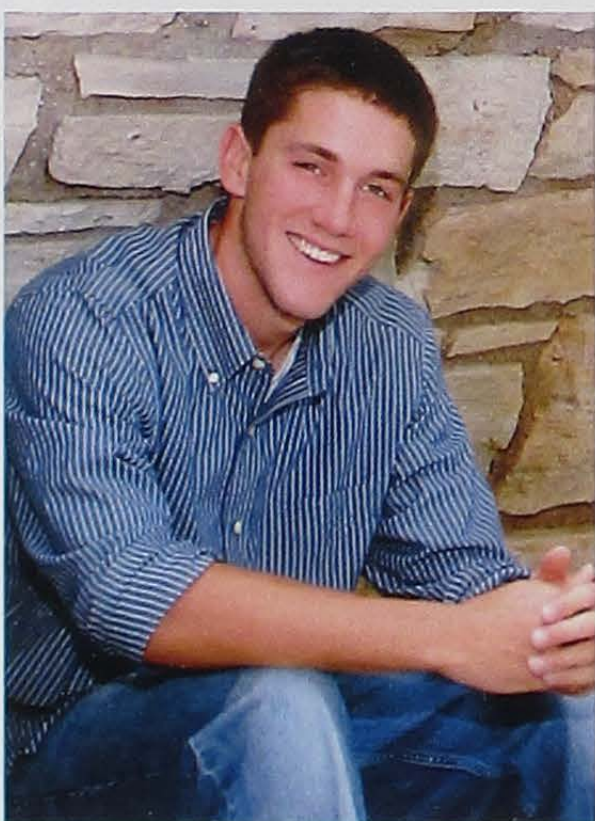
MARC HEITZMAN



Whether on the field or on the stage, your passion lights the fire within. May you shine for all the world to see.
Mom and Dad



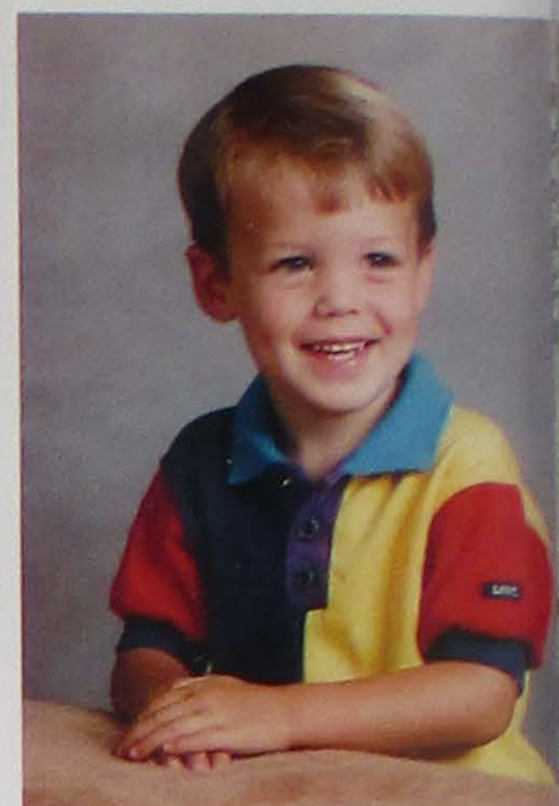
MARTY PICK



You have made us very proud! Continue working hard and success will follow you wherever you go.

We love you!
Mom, Dad, Lindsay, Ryan, Haley,
Randall, Taylor, and Mitchell

DEREK TRICKLE



We love you, Derek, for all the joy you have brought to our lives.
Congratulations on your AHS graduation!
We are so very proud of you!

Love,
Mom, Dad, Katie, and Alexa

MEGAN REYNOLDS



Megan,
Well done!
Congratulations.
We love you.

Dad, Mom, Lauren, Julia, and Jessica

RACHEL MILLER

Rachel- You are a precious blessing to us! We are very proud of you and are excited to see you live out your life for Jesus. Remember who you belong to!

John 1:12



MARC HEITZMAN

The love of family is the wind beneath your wings.



DANIEL PARK

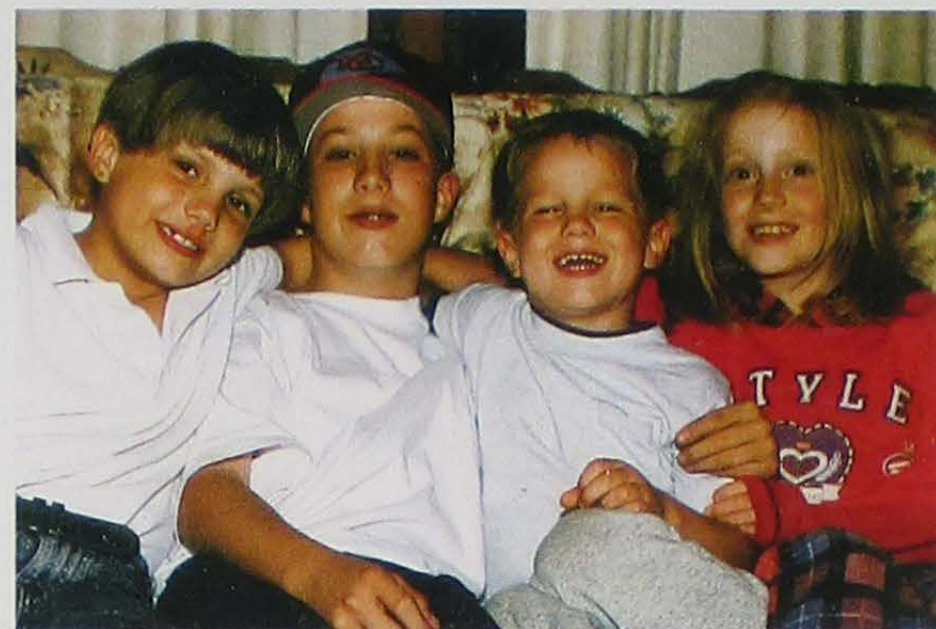
Your music has brought joy in our lives.

Keep playing!

"I will bow down toward your holy temple and will praise your name for your love and your faithfulness, for you have exalted above all things your name and your word."

-Ps 138:12

Love, Mom and Dad



Marc- May you soar like an eagle.

Love,

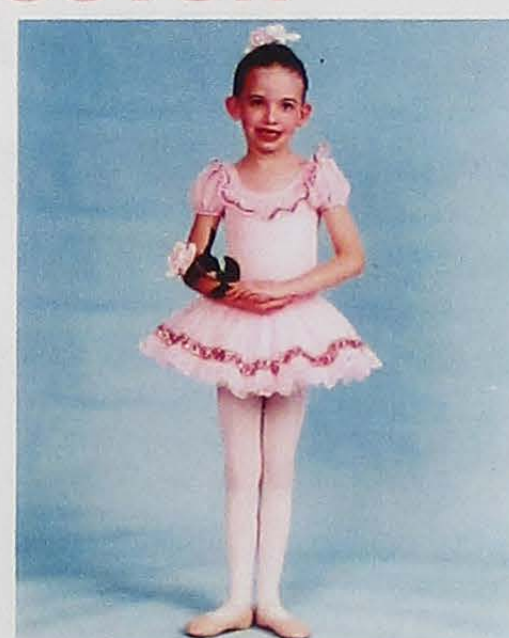
Michael, Melinda, and Melissa

KATIE MARSDEN



"For I can do all things thru Christ who strengthens me." Philippians 4:13 You are our sunshine! We love you- Mom, Dad, Ben, and Ross

AMY HUSTON



You are the spirit of our lives.
Mom and Dad

KENDRA MOLONEY



You've come a long way, baby!

Congratulations!

Love,
Mom and Dad

ALEX ARTHUR



Alex, God has given you a special gift of music. Our prayer is that you use it to glorify Him forever! We are so proud of you and love you with all of our heart! Mom, Dad, Adam Austin & Ace

My heart is steadfast, O God;
I will sing and make music with all my soul
Psalm 108:1

JENNIFER AND TARA



We first met in middle school, and our friendship has grown through high school. We have had a lot of good memories, some being Clear Lake, Wal-Mart for potatoes, and our times cruising the town. Being friends with you allows me to be who I am and not having to act like someone else. Best of luck in the future and congratulations on graduating. -Jennifer

BRIDGET BROWN

When things get rough,
Remember you are tough!
Don't flush it all away;
Explore your dreams,
and it'll be okay!

With all our Love,
Dad, Mom, Beth,
Rachel, Maria, and
Simon



CHELSEA SALISBURY

Congratulations,
"Mouse" !!
We know you will do
great things!

Love,
Dad, Mom, Alex, and
Jack



JOSH LARSON-KONAR

To Josh, our dancin'
boy. Your dancin'
means much more to
us than any dream of
ours.

Love, Mom and Dad



ABBEY ADKINS



Abbey, our country girl.
You have blessed our lives with
many talents. Be happy; use your
gifts to reach your dreams.

Love,
Mom, Dad, and Austin

DOUG WARREN



We are proud of the
accomplishments that you have
achieved so far. May your
future dreams come true.

Love,
Mom, Dad, and Joan



Congratulations, Senior Dancers!
Thank you for sharing your love of dance with me!



Row 1: Paige Olson, Lauren Naeve, Lauren Dixon, Malori Brause Row 2: Lauren Jones, Anna Carswell, Kelsey Kaufman, Jo Gruenewald, Carolyn Baumgartner

CAROLYN, JANE, AND JENNIFER



Finishing our last year with one another has been one unforgettable memory. I have enjoyed eating, parties, getting ready for dances, and just snapping random fun pictures. Congratulations on your graduation and best of luck in the future. Stay in contact in the upcoming years.

Love- Carolyn, Jane, and Jennifer

SARAH AND TARA



A true friend stands by you when no one else cares, understands you when no one else tries, and believes in you when no one else does.



LARISSA AND MEGAN



A friend is one who knows us, but loves us anyways.

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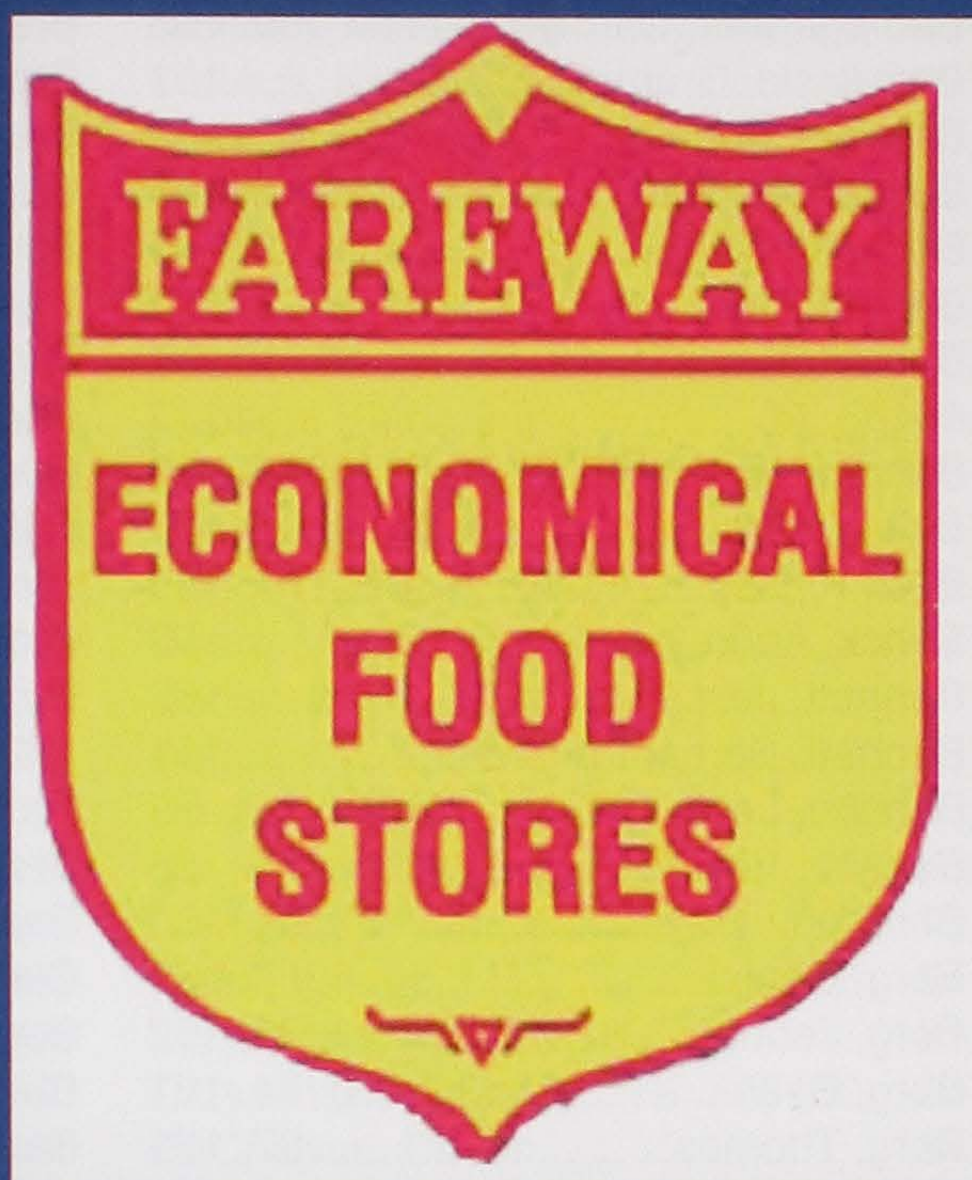
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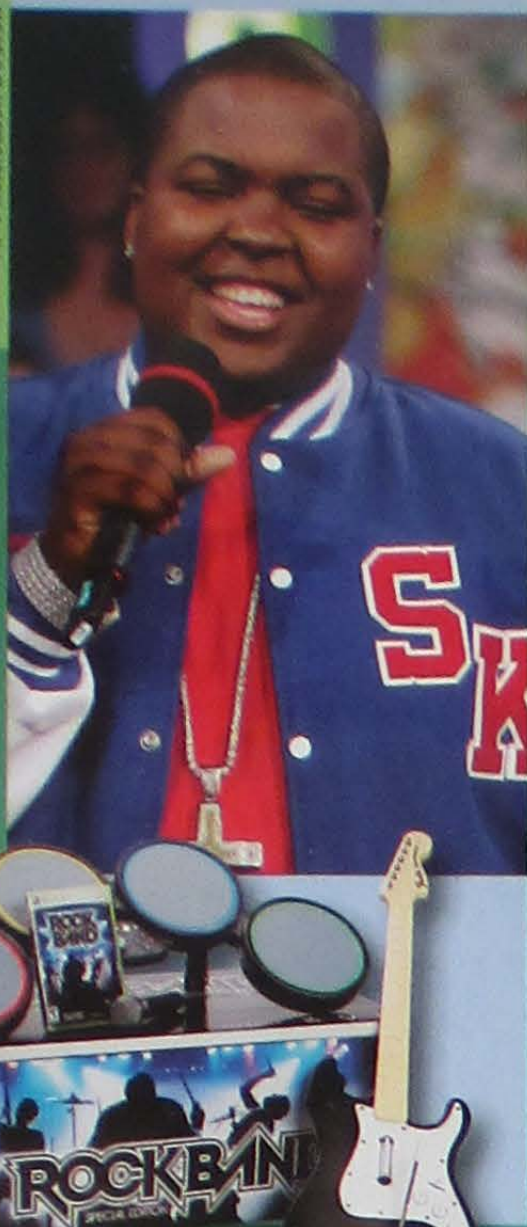




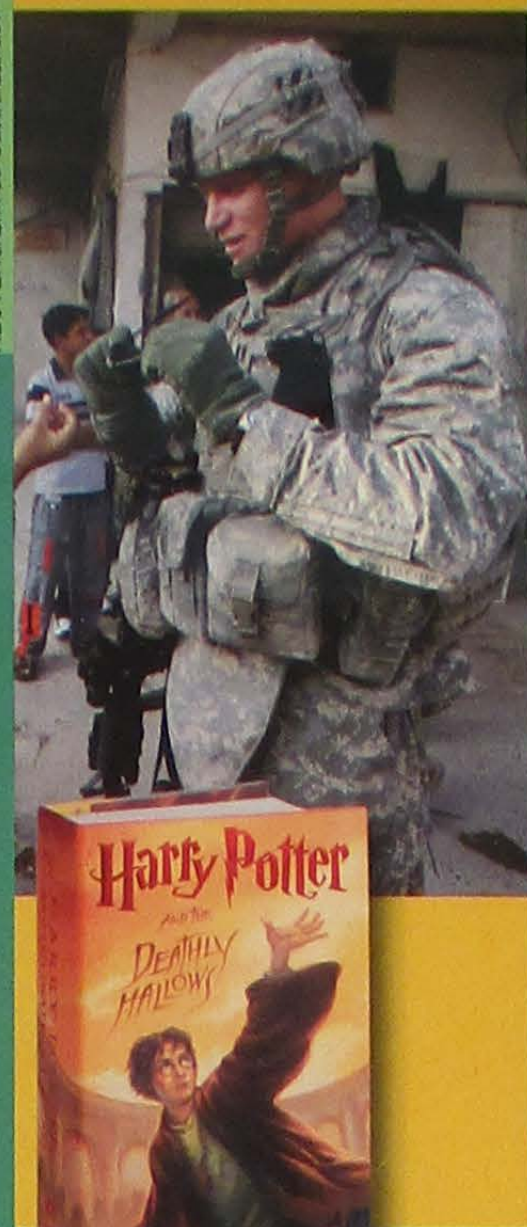
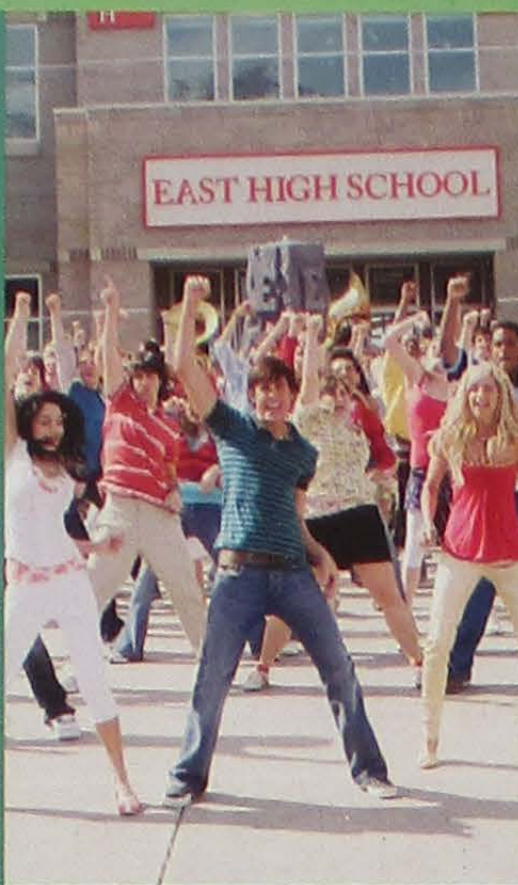
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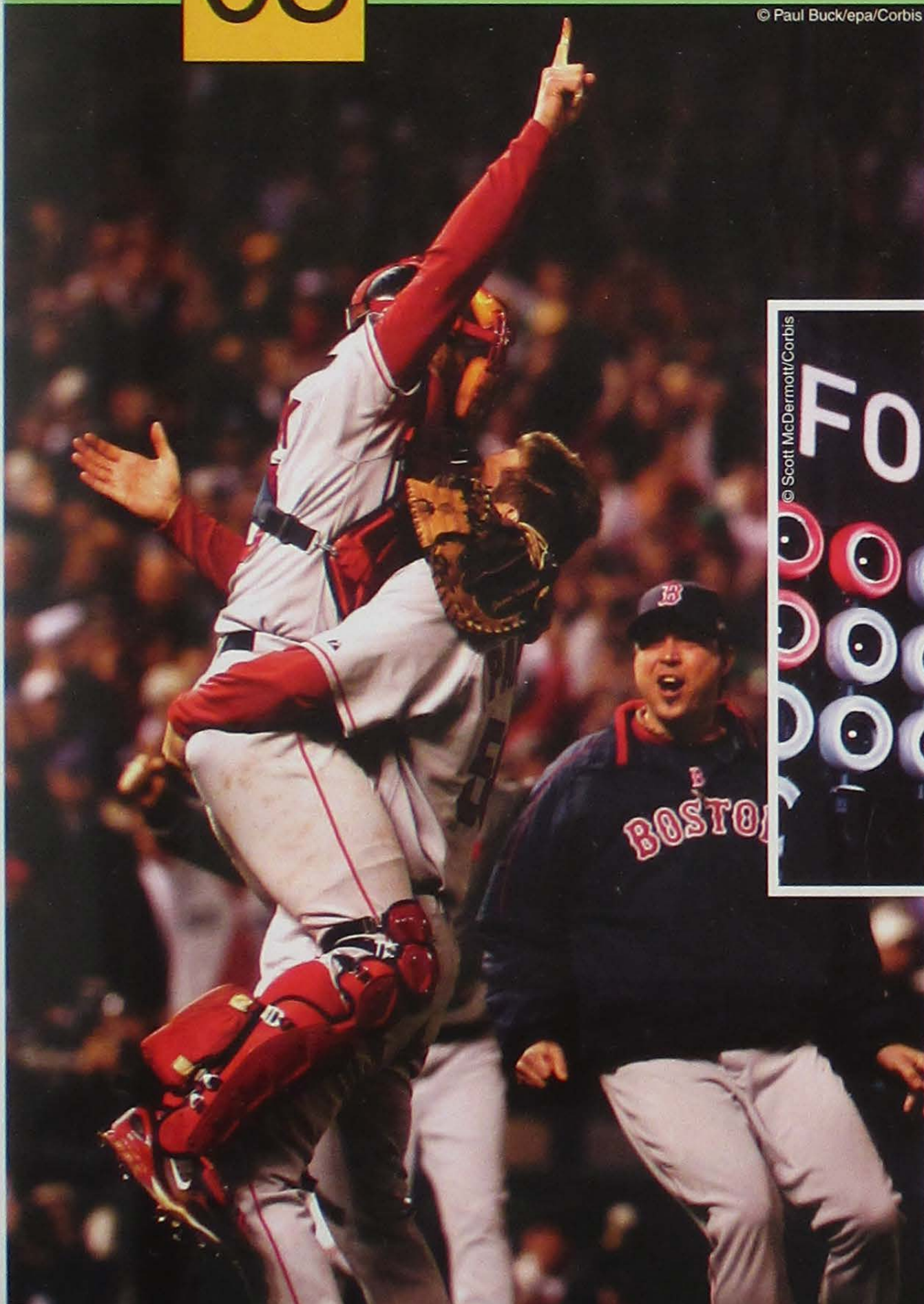


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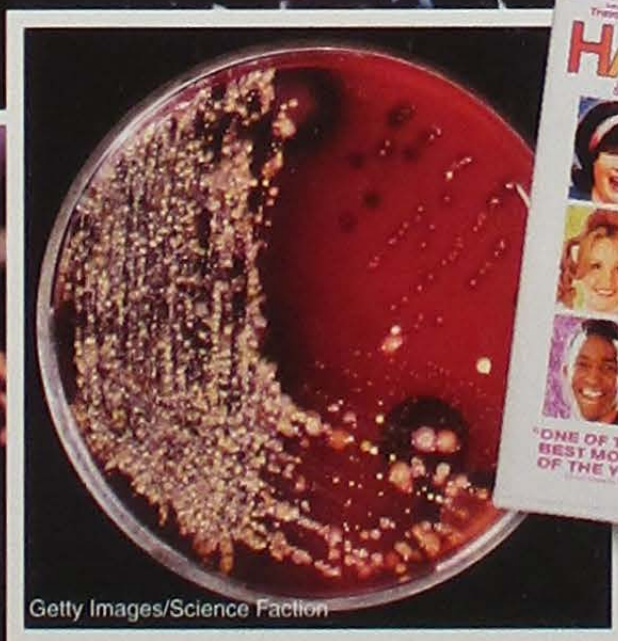
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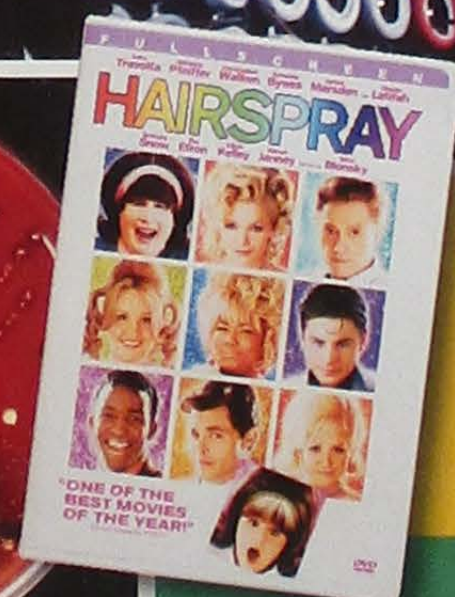
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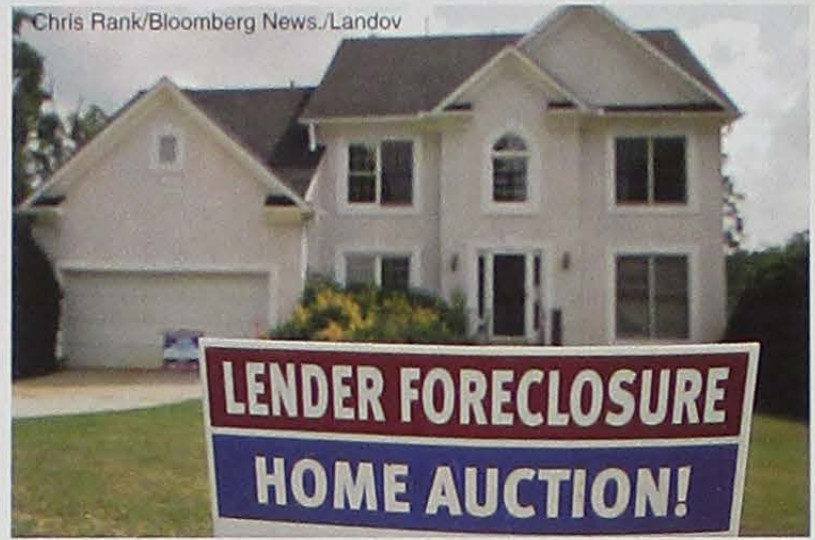
Front Page Headlines

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► As the war in Iraq passes the four-year mark, tours of duty are lengthened and recruitment standards are relaxed.

▼ To ease the mortgage crisis, the U.S. Senate passes legislation allowing homeowners with delinquent sub-prime mortgages to refinance into federally insured loans.

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◀ Several cities in the southeastern U.S. are mere months away from running out of water as drought conditions persist in the region.

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▼ Six men are trapped when a Utah coal mine collapses on August 6. Ten days later, the mine collapses again, killing three rescue workers. After four weeks the search ends.

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▲ During televised debates, Democratic and Republican presidential candidates answer tough questions submitted by voters via YouTube.

► The U.S. Postal Service issues a forever stamp featuring an image of the Liberty Bell. It will always be valid for first class postage on envelopes weighing one ounce or less.

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▲ The Nobel Peace Prize is awarded to former Vice President Al Gore and the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, represented by Dr. Rajendra Pachauri, for their efforts to call attention to global warming.

▼ Schools across the nation are thoroughly disinfected—and some are even shut down—to quell outbreaks of staph infections, including antibiotic-resistant strains.



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▲ In late October, Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger declares a state of emergency due to wildfires that burn more than half a million acres in southern California.

▼ Dozens of tornadoes tear across Tennessee, Arkansas, Mississippi, Kentucky and Alabama on February 5, 2008, killing nearly 60 people.



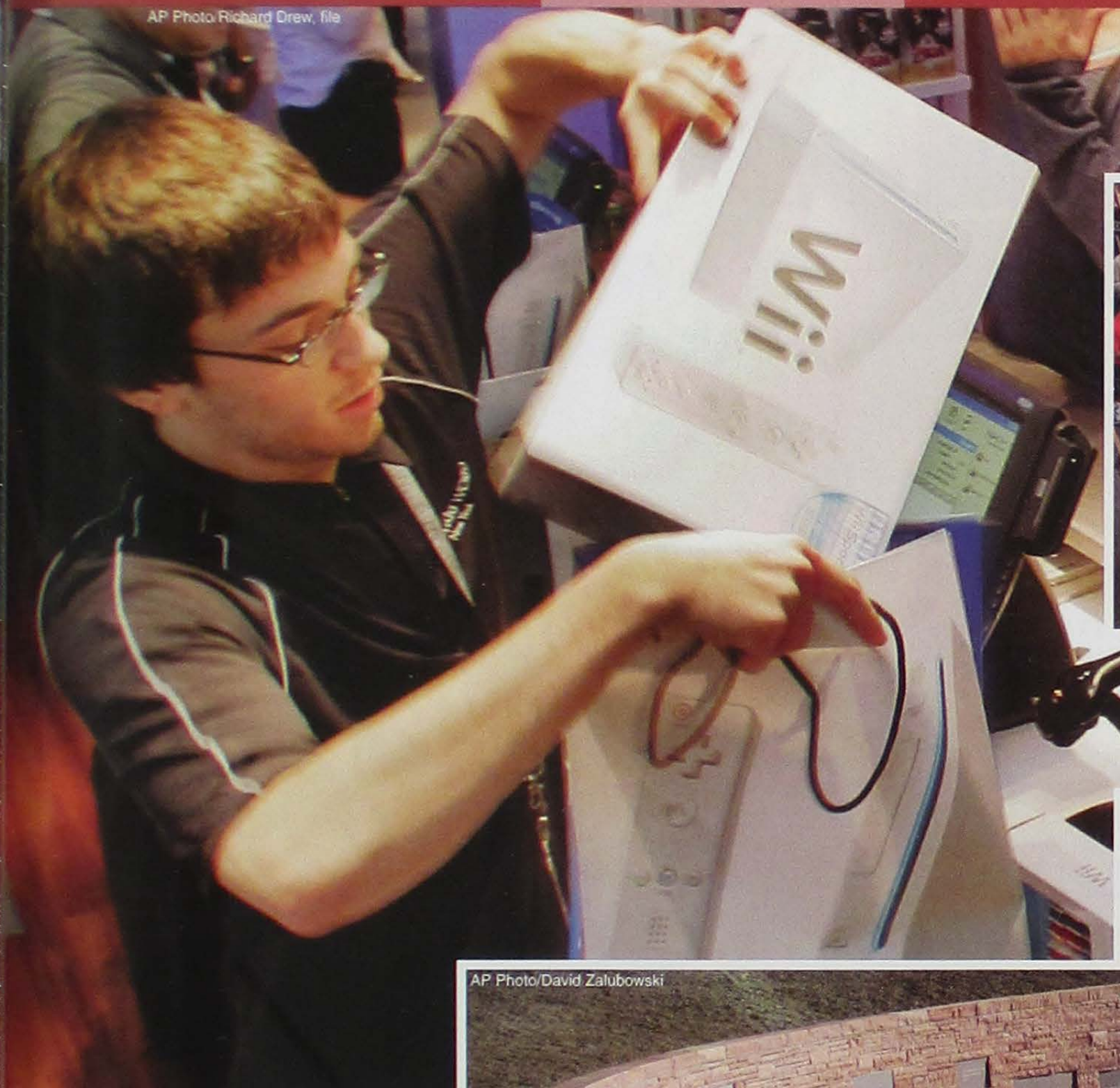
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▲ American consumers lose their confidence in China's manufacturers when children's toys tainted with lead trigger widespread recalls.

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▶ The Nintendo "Wii-nomenon" sweeps the nation as the game console outplays the competition with sales of more than 13 million units.

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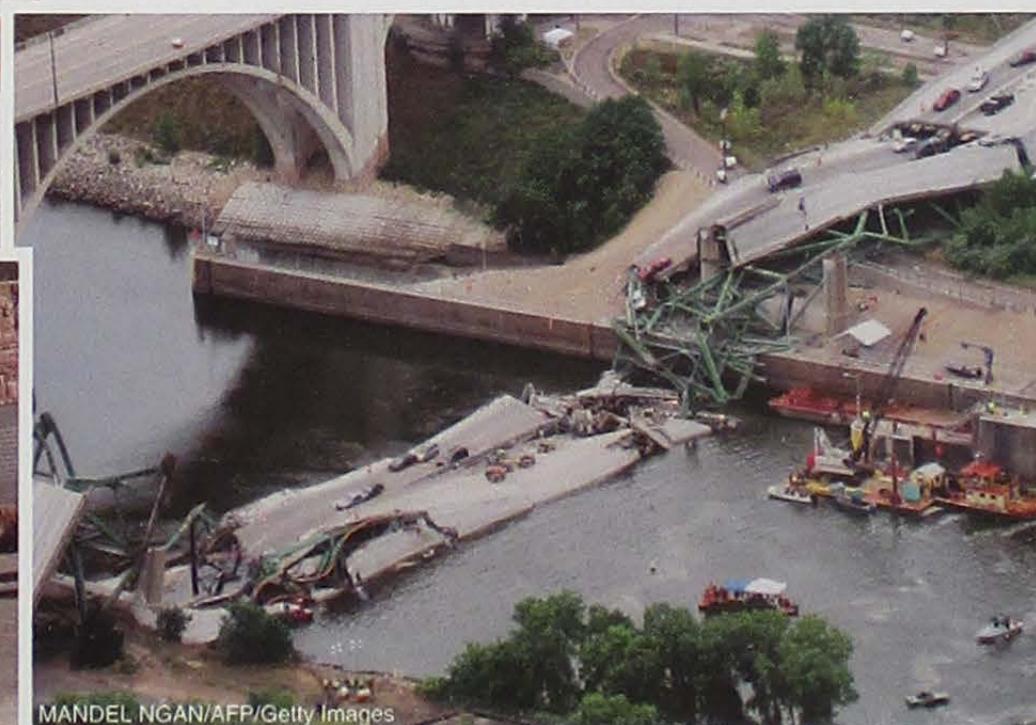


▲ Writers hit the picket lines and television production is halted for months when the Writers Guild of America goes on strike to protest compensation policies for new media such as iTunes downloads.

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▶ In Littleton, Colorado, construction is completed on the \$1.5 million Columbine Memorial to the 13 victims of the 1999 shooting at Columbine High School.



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▲ On August 1, a six-lane I-35W bridge stretching across the Mississippi River in Minneapolis collapses into the river during the height of the afternoon rush hour.

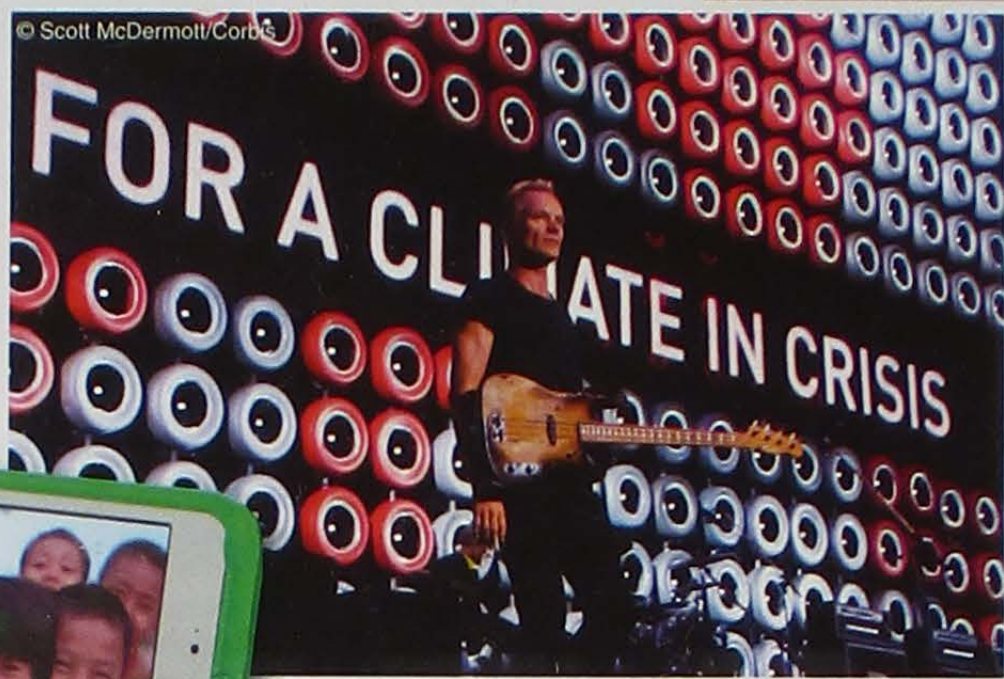
Global

The New Seven Wonders of the World

► People around the world cast more than 100 million online votes to determine the New Seven Wonders of the World. The winning wonders are announced at a gala in Lisbon.

▼ More than 150 of the world's leading music acts perform in concerts staged around the world for Live Earth, a star-studded event to draw attention to the global climate crisis.

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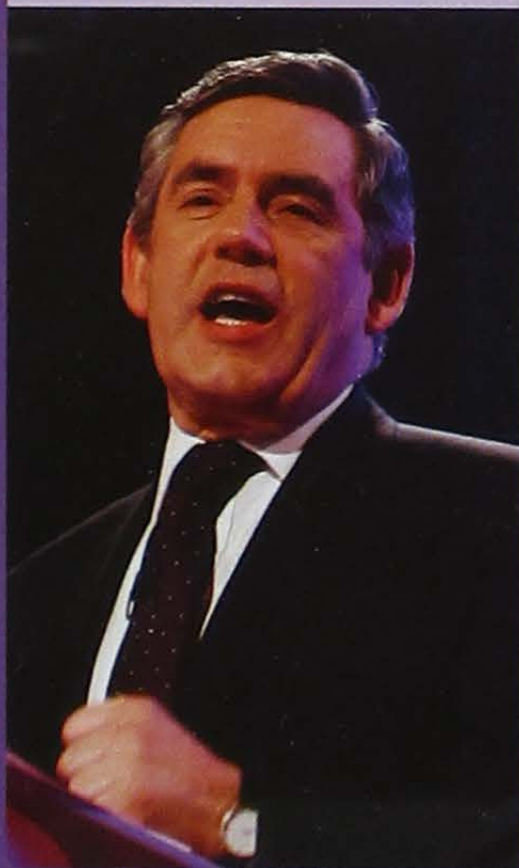


◀ The One Laptop Per Child Foundation launches a limited-time "Give One, Get One" program to spur donations of XO \$100 laptops to children in developing nations.

One Laptop Per Child



▼ Labour Party leader Gordon Brown succeeds Tony Blair as the new Prime Minister of the United Kingdom of Great Britain.



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▲ The melting of the Arctic Sea ice spurs an international network of climate scientists to conclude that global warming is indisputable, and that human activity has been causing temperatures to rise since 1950.

▼ In December, Pakistani opposition leader Benazir Bhutto is assassinated following a political rally in Rawalpindi, Pakistan.



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▲ Tropical cyclone Sidr is the deadliest storm to hit Bangladesh in a decade. It destroys thousands of homes, ruins crops and forces more than a million villagers to evacuate.

Sci-Tech

▼ U.S. astronaut Peggy Whitson is the first female commander at the International Space Station.



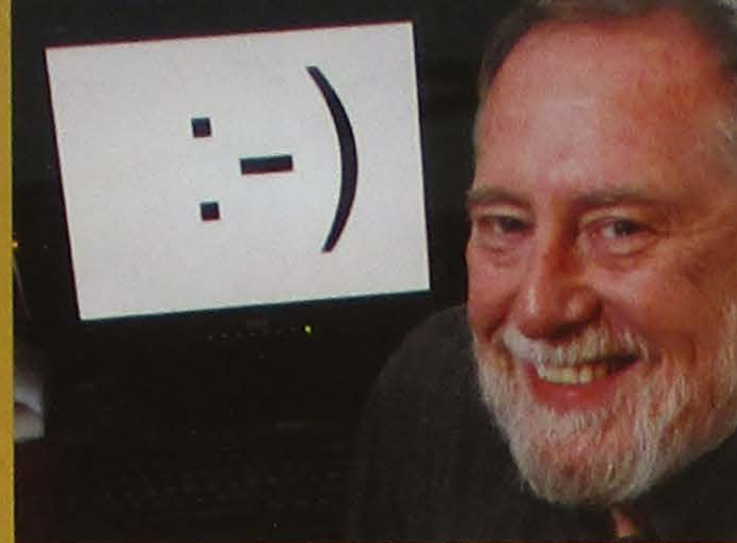
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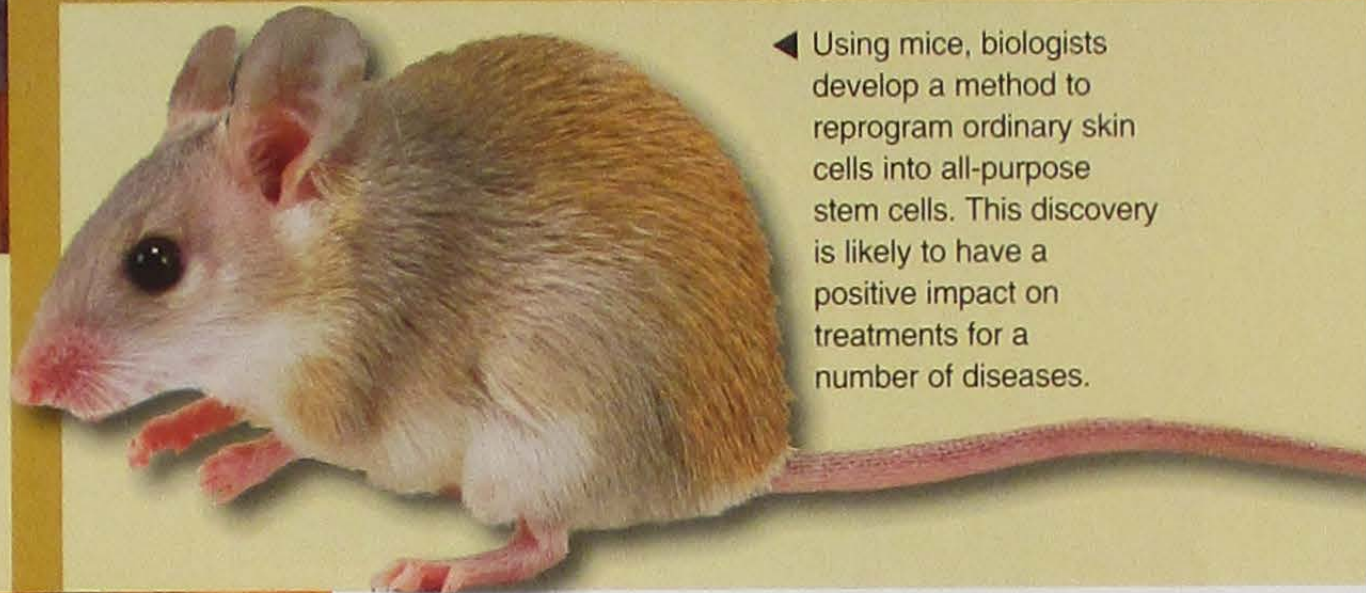
▲ Black bears make headlines in Utah, Wyoming and New Mexico as park rangers and wilderness homeowners report raids on backpacks, tents, trash cans and even kitchens.

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◀ The digital smiley face celebrates its 25th birthday. Its inventor, Carnegie Mellon professor Scott E. Fahlman, first used the icon on an electronic bulletin board in 1982.

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◀ Using mice, biologists develop a method to reprogram ordinary skin cells into all-purpose stem cells. This discovery is likely to have a positive impact on treatments for a number of diseases.

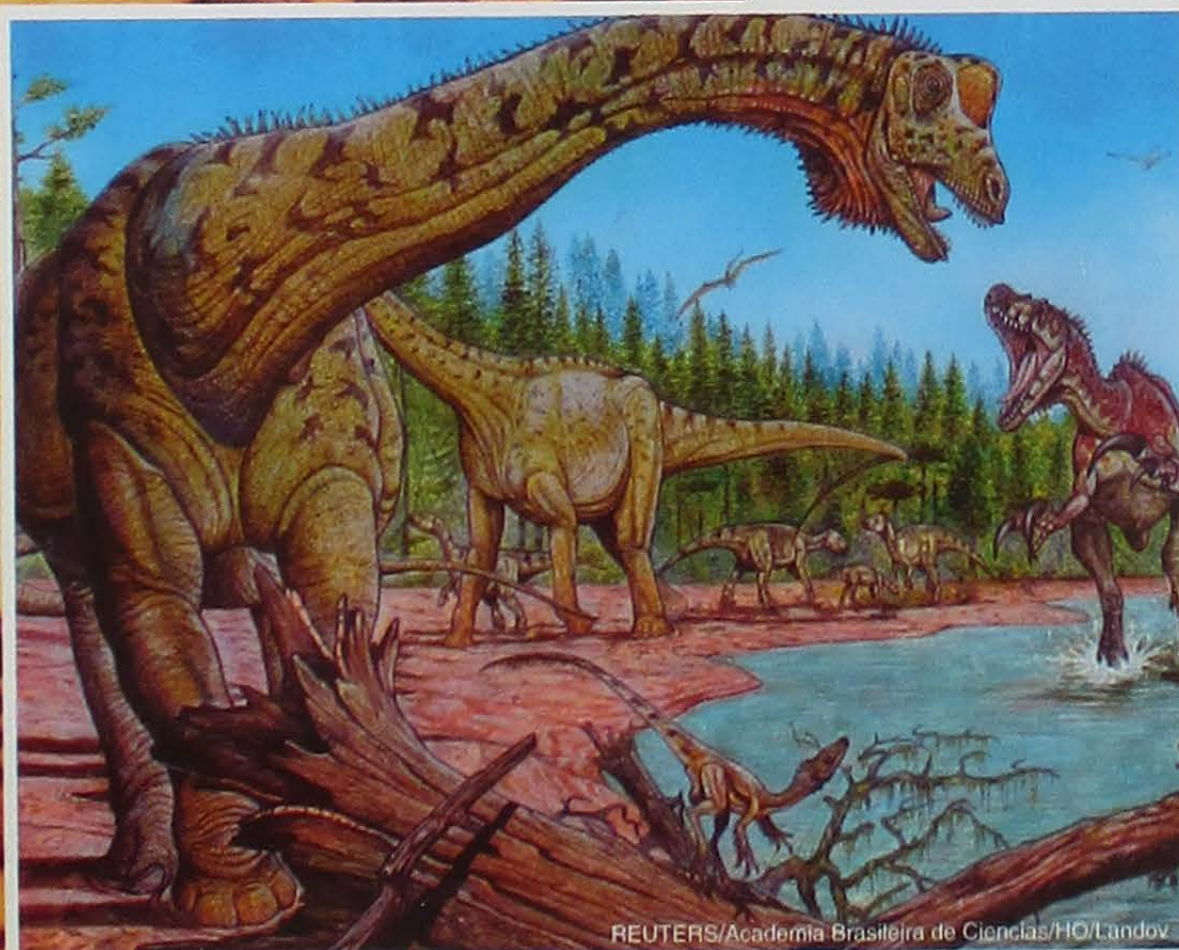
◀ Crops are threatened when honeybee colonies in the U.S. and Europe suffer from Colony Collapse Disorder, losing up to 70 percent of their bees due to unknown causes.

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► In a medical experiment, salmonella germs take a ride on the space shuttle. When they return to Earth, the germs are far more lethal than their earthbound counterparts.



◀ An excavation site in Argentina yields the fossilized remains of a previously unknown species of dinosaur, the Futalognkosaurus dukei, measuring more than 105 feet.



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Lifestyle

► Social networking websites continue to surge in popularity. MySpace and Facebook remain dominant as the sites of choice for young people and inspire a host of innovative imitators.

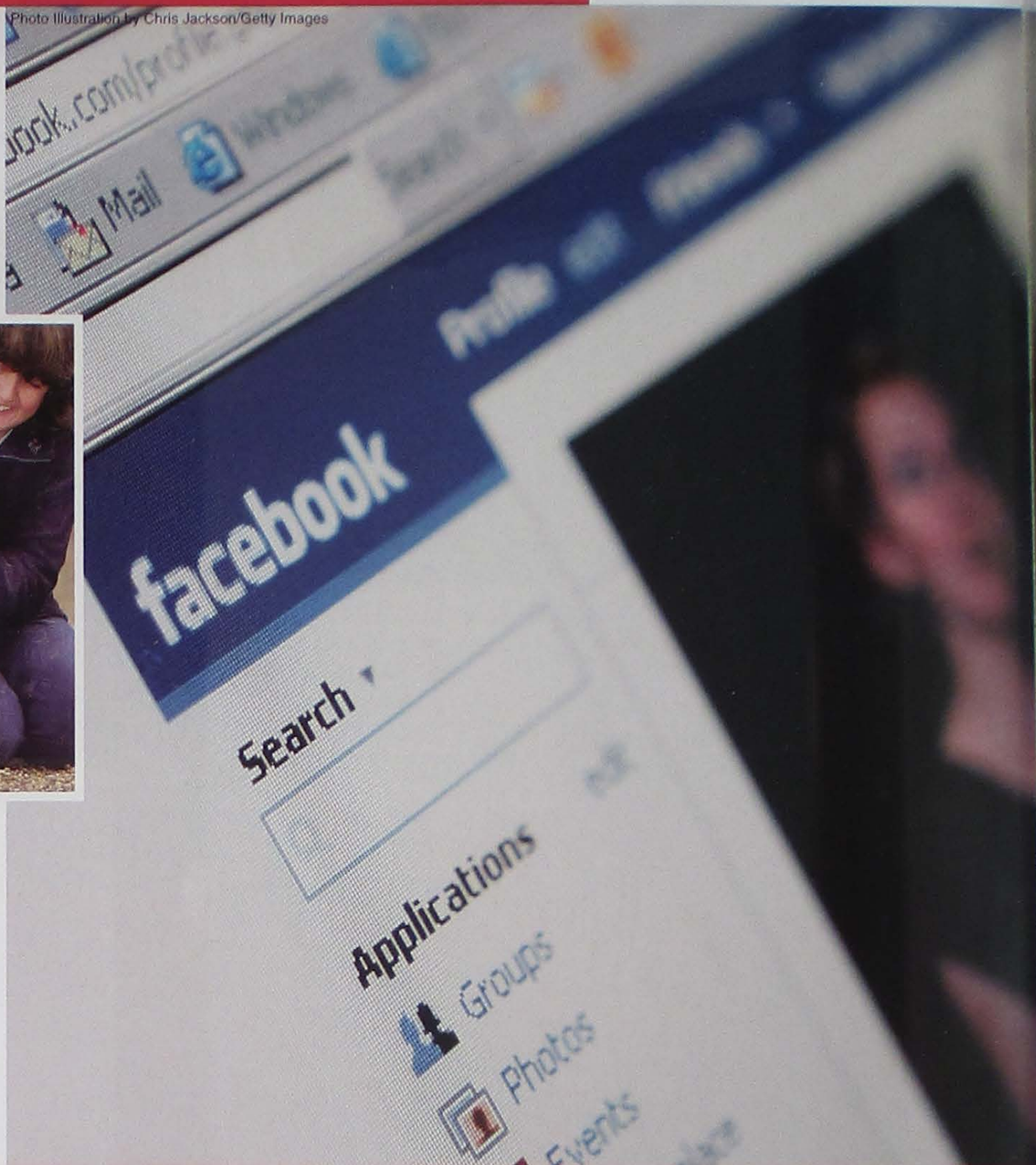
▼ Concerns about overweight dogs and cats hit the headlines. Veterinarians prescribe a regimen of fewer treats, more walks around the neighborhood and no people food.

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◀ The healthy growth trend for vitamin waters and other nutrient-boosted consumables continues with the introduction of specialized formulas for immunity, focus and more.

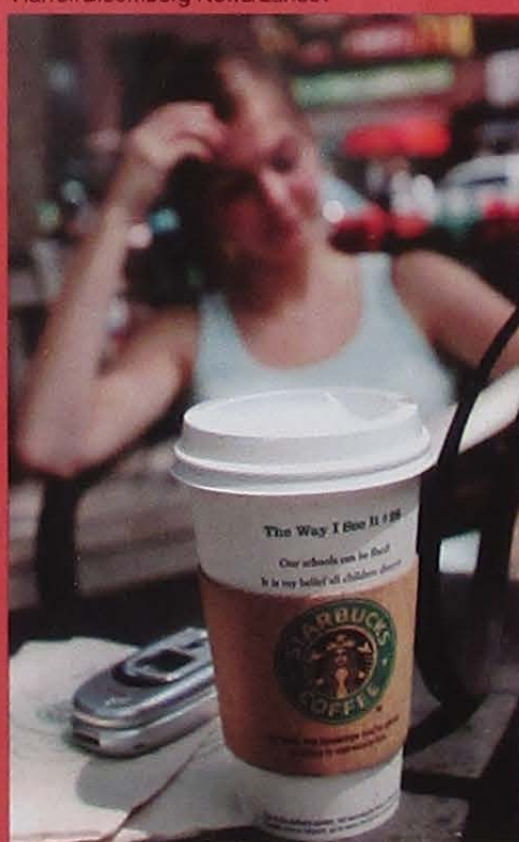


▼ User-generated content grows more popular as network television shows, mainstream musical acts and wannabe media stars join amateur home moviemakers on YouTube. One of the most-watched videos of 2007 features a feline pianist.



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▲ Higher prices for coffee beans do not lessen the nation's craving for coffeehouses. Independents and chains alike continue to be popular with younger consumers.

▼ Concerns over the environment and increasing energy costs create a growing consumer demand for energy-saving, long-lasting compact fluorescent light bulbs.



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▼ The Apple iPhone, with its revolutionary touch screen, packs mobile phone, camera, iPod, Web browser, email and IM capabilities into a sleek, portable package.

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▼ Cute and comfy baby doll jumper tops and dresses with button straps start as a summer trend and morph into fall fashion layered over close-fitting sweaters and matching tights.

Trends

◀ The A-line silhouette comes to outerwear, as swingy trapeze coats become one of the year's most surprising fashion must-haves.

◀ Under Armor athletic apparel is a popular fashion choice for athletes both on and off the field.

▶ Fashion takes a look back to the 1980s with the return of leg warmers, worn as an accessory with short skirts or skinny jeans and fashionable ballet flats or moccasins.

◀ Quilted Vera Bradley handbags and totes sweep college campuses, sororities and high school hallways from coast to coast.

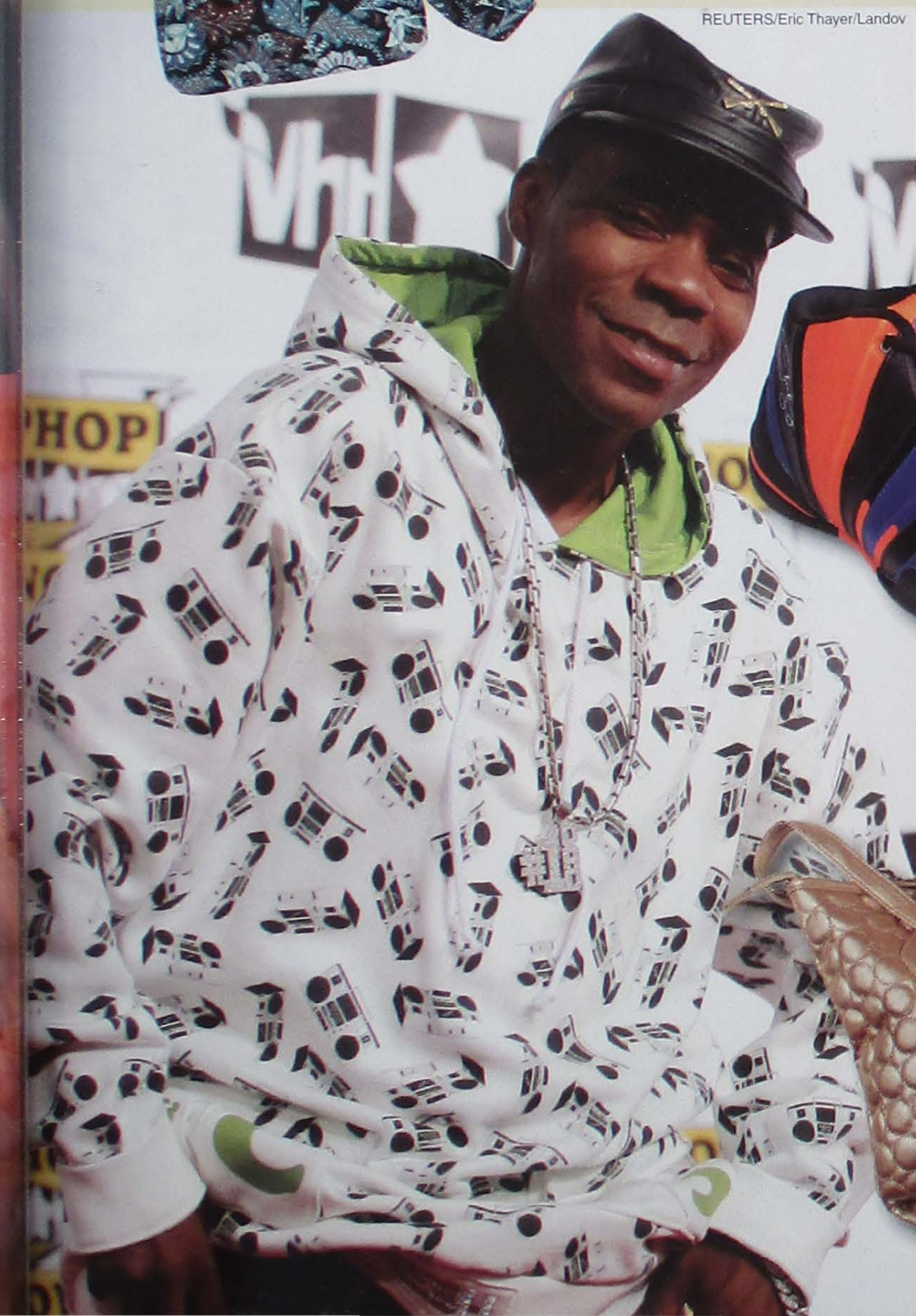
▶ The ubiquitous, slouchy suede Ugg boot is reinvented with cozy knitted uppers that keep toes toasty and add a soft, tweedy, textured look to fall and winter ensembles.

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◀ Guys sport patterned hoodies that are worn alone or layered under jackets and blazers for an edgy, urban look.

▶ Stephon Marbury inspires a host of celebrities, including Sarah Jessica Parker and Venus Williams, to battle the high-priced fashion industry by creating their own affordable apparel.

◀ The craze for oversized leather bags—in metallic shades of copper, silver and gold—inspires a trend for matching footwear in daytime and nighttime looks.



Entertainment

▼ The music video game *Guitar Hero III: Legends of Rock* is released with a soundtrack of 71 playable songs. Slash and other real-life guitarists appear as in-game characters.

▼ The music video game *Rock Band* is released for Xbox 360 and PlayStation 3. Players perform together in virtual bands, using peripherals to hit notes as they scroll onscreen.

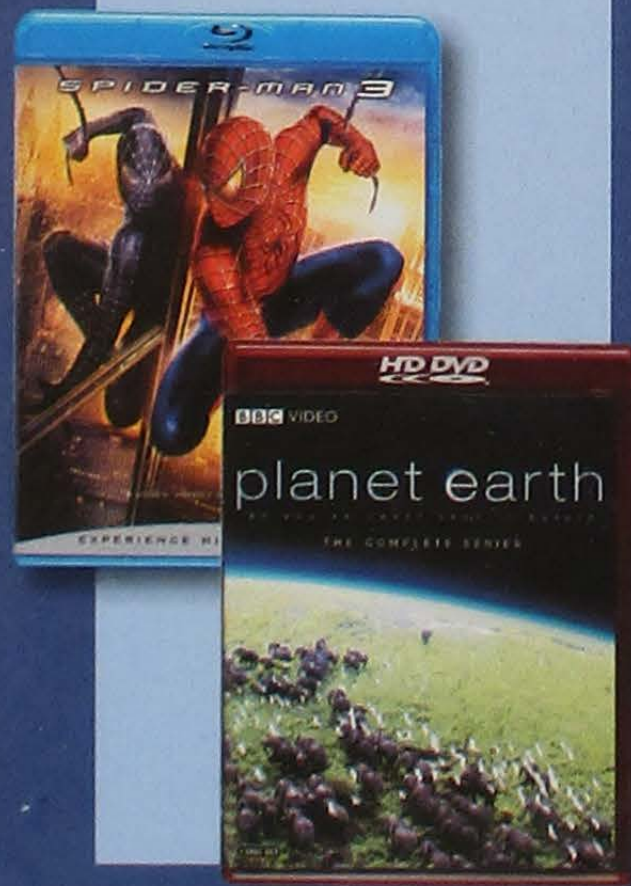


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◀ Even after Lonelygirl15 is revealed as a fictitious character, her popular storyline continues for a full season as an Internet dramedy series on YouTube and MySpace.



▼ After a two-year format war, Toshiba pulls its HD DVD product out of contention, leaving Sony Blu-ray as the sole next-generation successor to DVD.

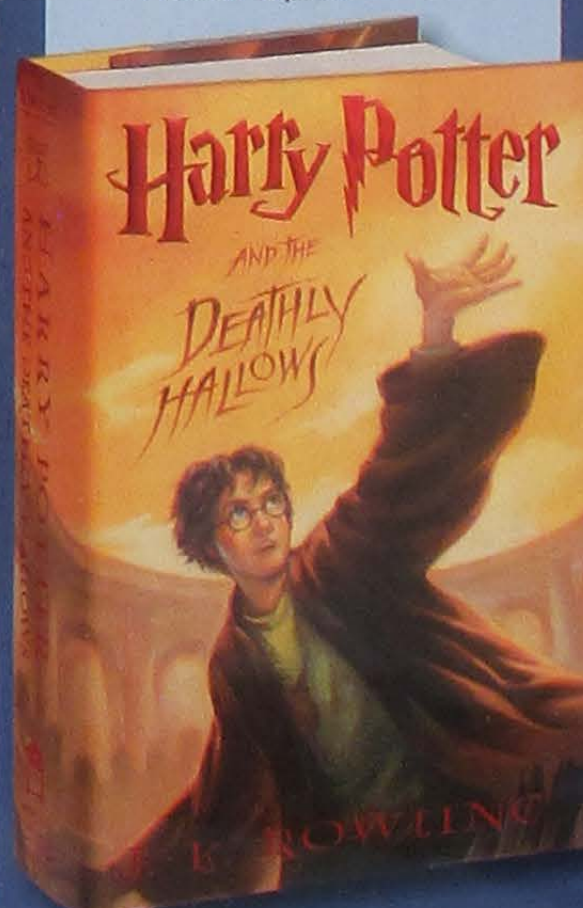


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▲ Large-scale multiplayer online gaming gives rise to virtual worlds where players interact via avatars and the computer-generated environment is similar to the real world.

▼ *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows*, the seventh and final book in the enormously popular series, is released. Its first U.S. print run is a record-breaking 12 million copies.



▲ Beading makes a comeback as a way to relax and creatively spend time with friends.

Television

▼ The second season of NBC's *Heroes* continues the adventures of ordinary people with extraordinary powers and reveals more about the shadowy dealings of "The Company."



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▲ *High School Musical 2* becomes the highest-rated cable broadcast in the nation's history when 17.2 million U.S. viewers tune in to the Disney Channel for its debut.

▼ In the 36th season of CBS's *The Price Is Right*, host Bob Barker retires and comedian Drew Carey takes over the helm at the world's second-longest-running game show.



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▲ The NBC drama series *Friday Night Lights*, about a fictional high school football team, is taped documentary-style, without rehearsals, to give it a more authentic feeling.



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◀ On The CW, Blake Lively portrays socialite teen Serena van der Woodsen in *Gossip Girl*, a drama series that follows the lives of prep school students from New York's Upper East Side.

▶ America Ferrera, who plays Betty Suarez on the popular ABC comedy-drama *Ugly Betty*, is the first Latina to win the Emmy for Outstanding Lead Actress in a Comedy Series.



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◀ ABC's *Dancing with the Stars* rules the ratings thanks to popular celebrity participants such as Sabrina Bryan of The Cheetah Girls.

Favorite TV Shows:

Movies

- ▼ Shia LaBeouf portrays a teenager who is plunged into a high-tech battle between good and evil alien robots in *Transformers*, a live action adaptation of the 1980s cartoon series.



- ▼ A 90-minute episode of *The Simpsons* takes six years to make. *The Simpsons Movie* finally makes its big-screen debut and is a major hit.

THE SIMPSONS MOVIE



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- ◀ *Atonement* receives seven Golden Globe nominations, including lead acting nods for Keira Knightley and James McAvoy.



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- Disney's *National Treasure: Book of Secrets* nets the third-highest box-office total ever for a Christmas weekend release.



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- ▼ *The Great Debaters*, based on the real-life victories of a black debate team in the 1930s, receives eight NAACP Image Award nominations.

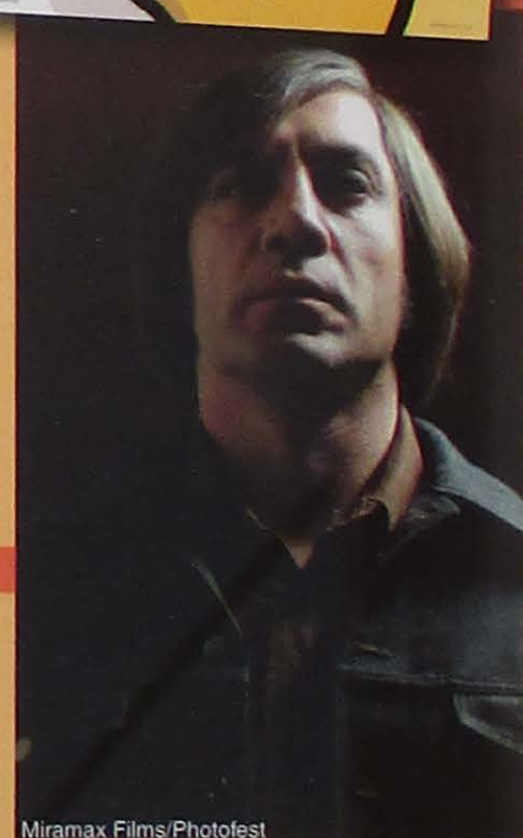


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- ◀ *Disturbia*, a surprise hit thriller about a bored teenager under house arrest who thinks his next-door neighbor may be a notorious serial killer, spends three weeks at the top of the box office.



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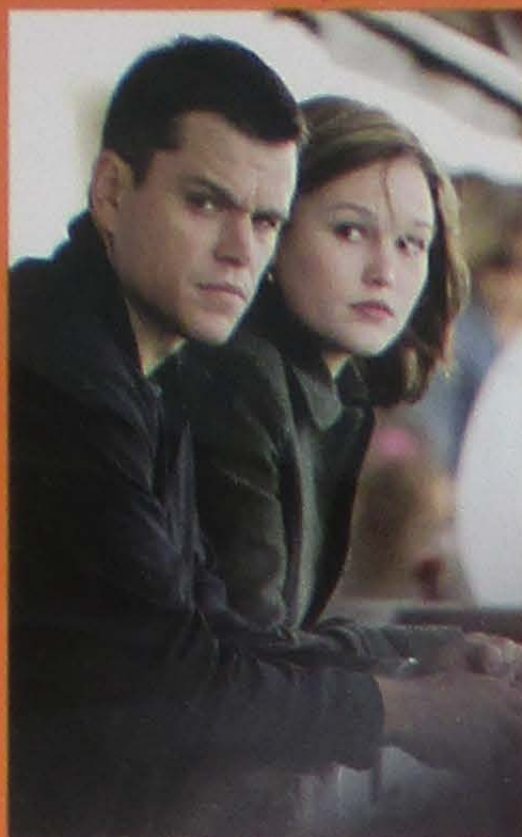
- ▲ Joel and Ethan Coen write and direct *No Country for Old Men*, a film adaptation of Cormac McCarthy's bleak, moody modern western novel. The film receives eight Oscar nominations.

▼ In *I Am Legend*, Will Smith is the last man alive in New York, after a man-made virus wipes out most of the world's population and turns the survivors into dangerous mutants.



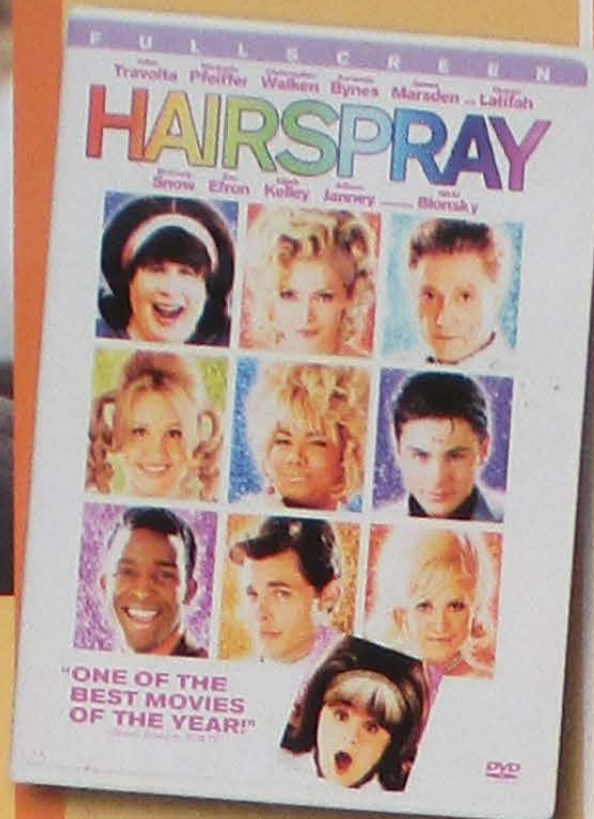
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▲ Matt Damon reprises his role as amnesiac CIA assassin Jason Bourne for *The Bourne Ultimatum*, the third film in the Bourne trilogy based on Robert Ludlum's novels.

▼ Starring Zac Efron, Amanda Bynes and newcomer Nikki Blonsky, *Hairspray* is a zany musical based on the Broadway smash hit.



Best Picture Oscar Nominations

Atonement

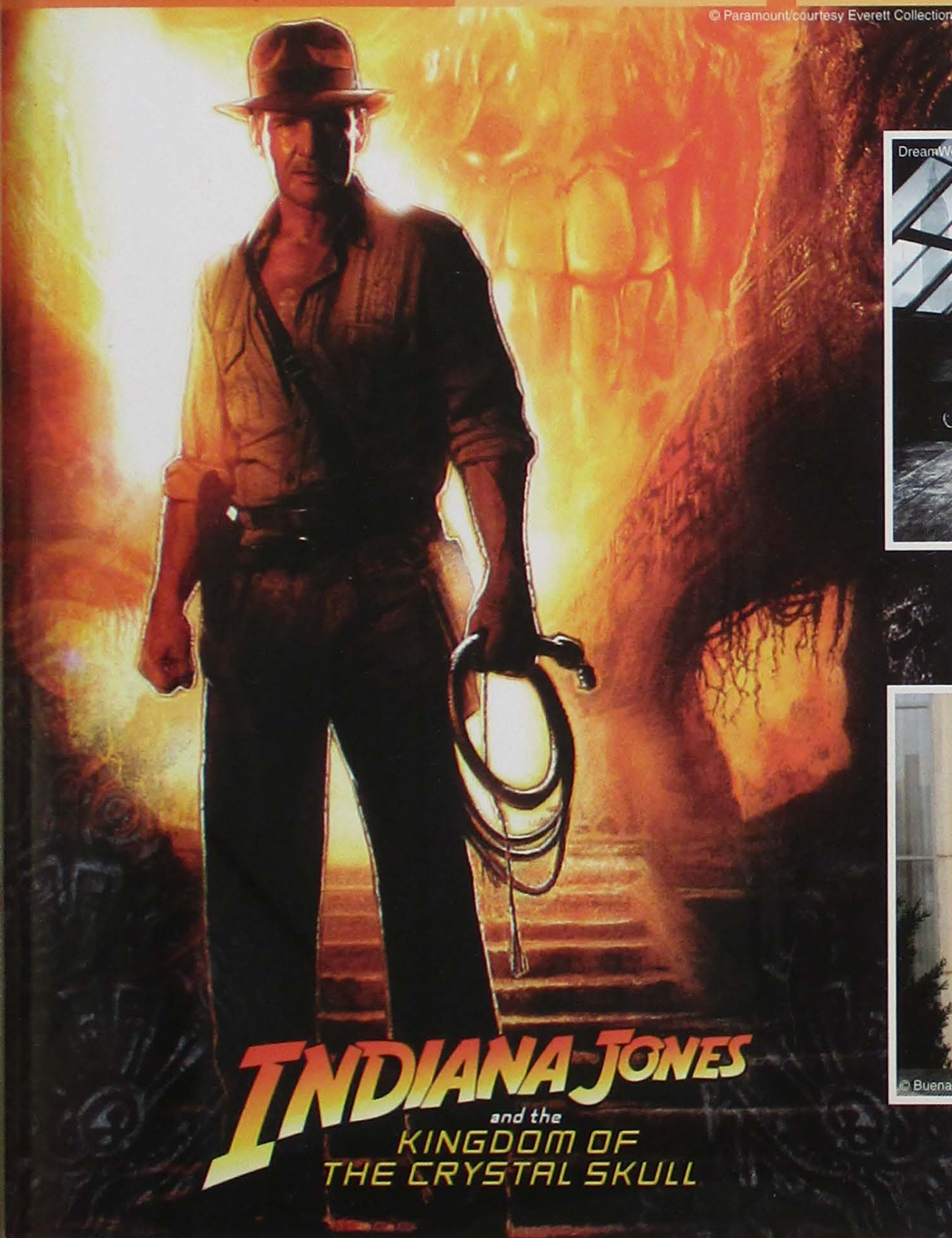
Juno

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No Country for Old Men

There Will Be Blood

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◀ After a 19-year hiatus, Harrison Ford returns as Steven Spielberg's adventurous archaeologist in *Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull*.

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▲ Tim Burton directs and Johnny Depp stars as the title character in *Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street*, an adaptation of the hit Broadway musical.



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▲ Using a combination of live action and animation, *Enchanted* tells the story of Giselle, a fairy-tale character seeking a "happily ever after" ending in modern-day Manhattan.

Music

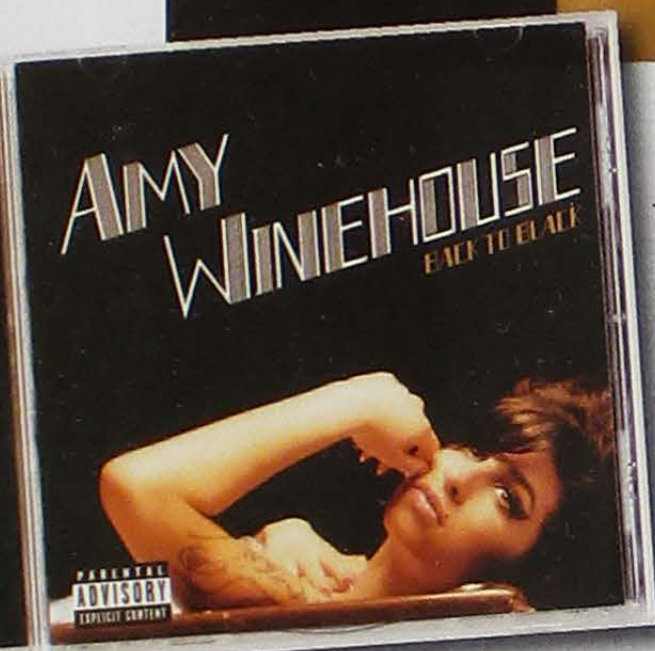
▼ Fergie continues to place singles from her triple-platinum solo album, *The Dutchess*, on the *Billboard* charts.

▼ Fall Out Boy headlines the Honda Civic tour, performs at Live Earth concerts and reaches the top of the charts with the release of their album *Infinity on High*.

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◀ British singer Amy Winehouse brings back the beehive and wins five Grammy awards for her work on *Back To Black*.



▼ Canadian pop singer Feist enjoys soaring sales for her third solo album, *The Reminder*, after the single "1234" is featured in a commercial for the iPod nano.

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▲ Rihanna records her third album, *Good Girl Gone Bad*, featuring Jay-Z and Ne-Yo. She receives six Grammy nominations.

▼ Newcomer Sean Kingston tops the U.S. *Billboard* Hot 100 and Pop 100 with "Beautiful Girls," his first single from his self-titled debut album.



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▲ Malibu singer-songwriter Colbie Caillat rises to stardom from MySpace. Her song "Bubbly" garners more than 31 million plays and her CD goes platinum.

▼ Carrie Underwood releases her double-platinum second album, *Carnival Ride*, and contributes the Oscar-nominated song "Ever Ever After" to the soundtrack for the movie *Enchanted*.



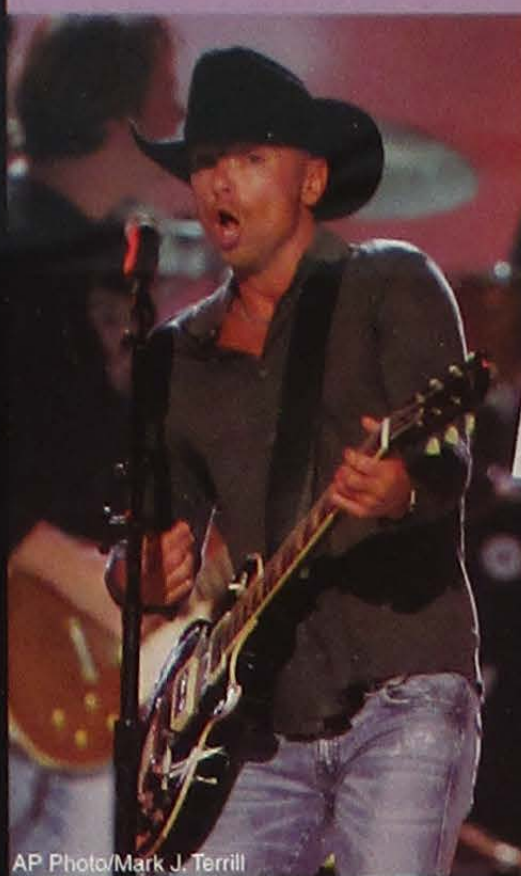
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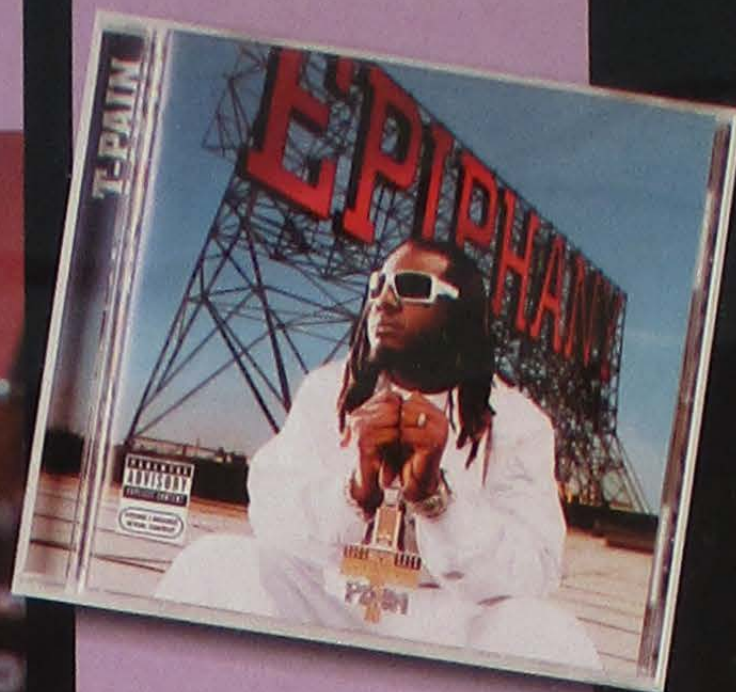


▲ After facing off at the MTV Music Awards, rapper rivals Kanye West and 50 Cent release albums on September 11 and vie for top sales. Kanye's *Graduation* is the victor.

▼ Country star Kenny Chesney releases his 13th album, *Just Who I Am: Poets & Pirates*. His Flip Flop summer tour is the highest-grossing country tour of 2007.

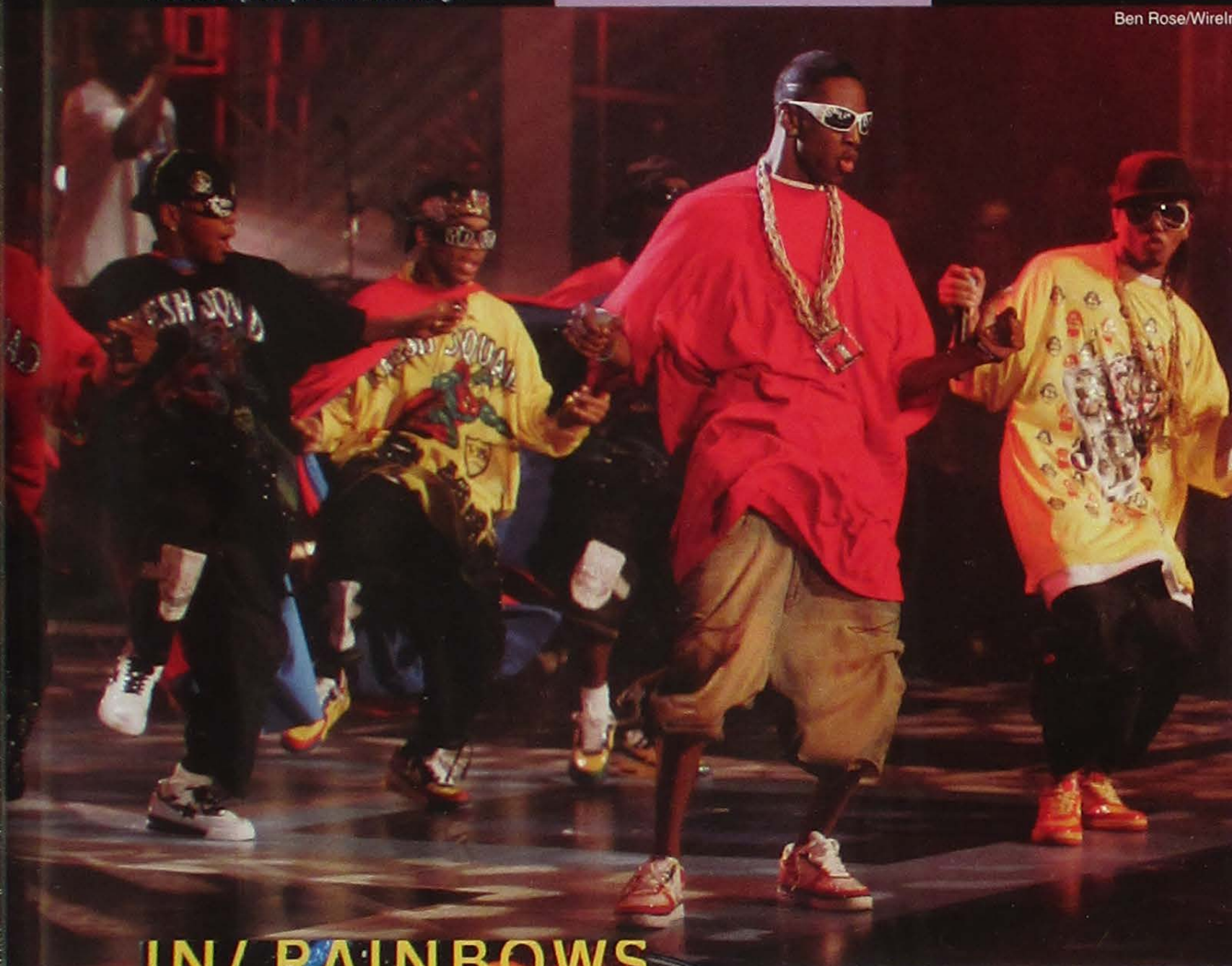


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▲ Hip-hop artist T-Pain releases his second album, *Epiphany*. The album receives four 2008 Grammy nominations and the Vibe 2007 Song of the Year Award.

◀ Soulja Boy reaches the top of the *Billboard* Hot 100 with the single "Crank That (Soulja Boy)" and his distinctive, loose-limbed dance style becomes a nationwide craze.



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▲ Punk-pop princess Avril Lavigne releases her third album, *The Best Damn Thing*, featuring "Girlfriend," her first No. 1 single on the *Billboard* Top 100.

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◀ Radiohead invites listeners and fans to pay whatever they want for a digital download of their highly acclaimed seventh album, *In Rainbows*. A "discbox" edition, with standard CD and vinyl LP, is released in January 2008.

Sports

▼ The American League Champion Boston Red Sox defeat the National League Champion Colorado Rockies in a decisive four-game sweep to capture their second World Series title in four years.

▼ Tiger Woods achieves his record 14th World Golf Championships win at the WGC-Bridgestone Invitational and claims his 60th PGA Tour win at the BMW Championship.

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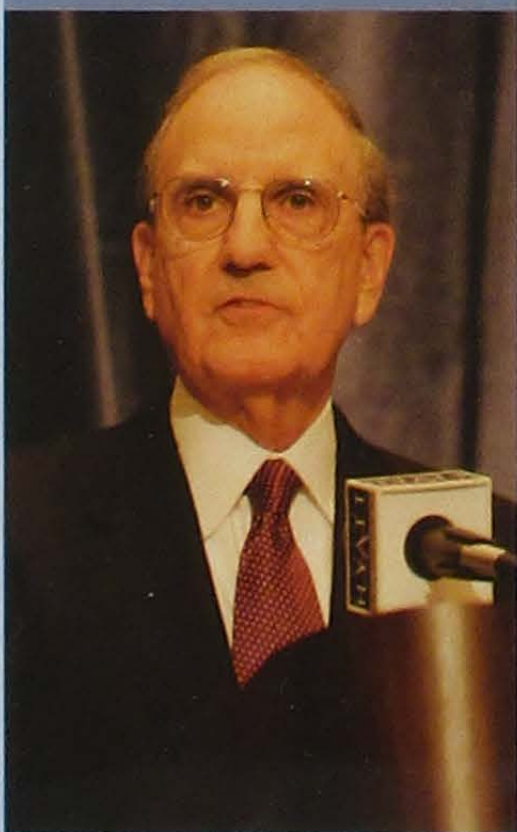
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◀ Norwegian golfer Suzann Pettersen wins five LPGA events including her first major championship in a break out season.

▼ Former Senator George Mitchell releases a list of Major League Baseball players, including seven MVPs and 31 All-Stars, under investigation for illegal use of steroids and other performance-enhancing drugs.



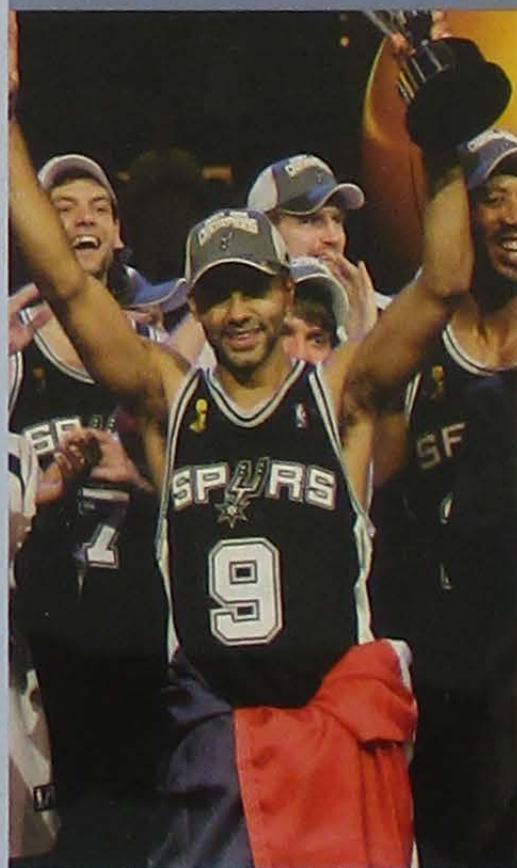
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▲ At X-Games 13, Ricky Carmichael wins the first MotoX Racing Circuit, Simon Tabron does back-to-back 900s in BMX Vert and Jake Brown survives a 40-foot fall.

▼ The veteran San Antonio Spurs, led by Tim Duncan, beat the Cleveland Cavaliers and their young phenom, LeBron James, in a 4-0 sweep to win the 2007 NBA finals.



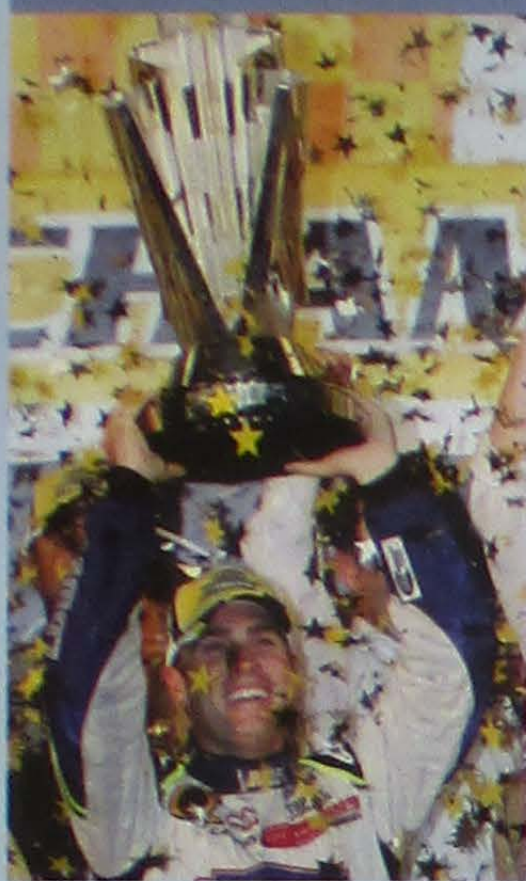
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▲ The LSU Tigers pounce on Ohio State early on their way to a 38-24 victory. LSU is the first two-loss team to compete for and win the BCS National Championship.

▼ California native Jimmie Johnson speeds to victory as the 2007 NASCAR Nextel Cup Champion, defeating his Hendrick Motorsports teammate Jeff Gordon by 77 points.



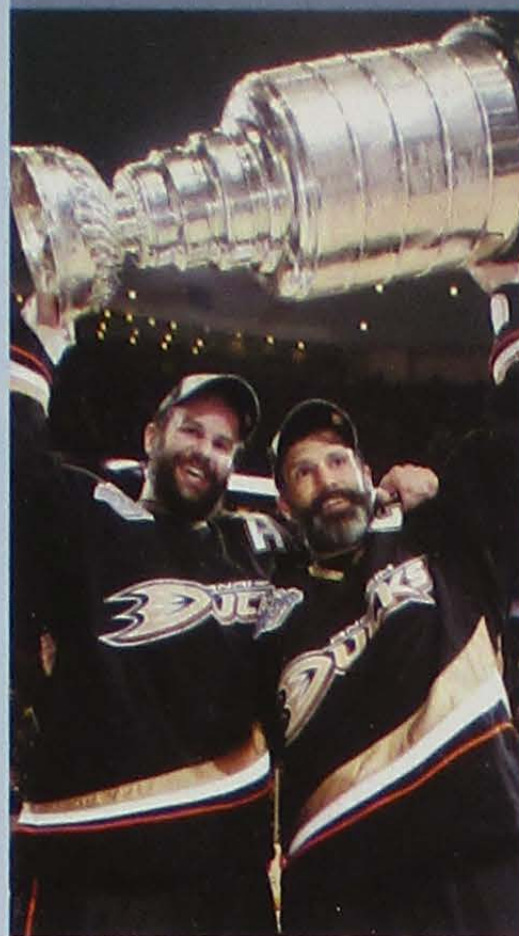
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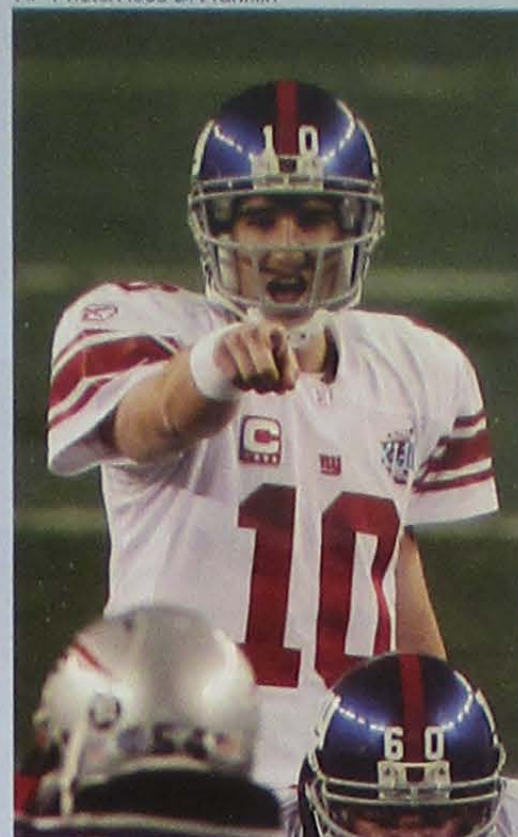
▲ Athletes from around the world train for the 2008 Summer Olympics in Beijing as the city prepares for the arrival of hundreds of competitors and millions of spectators.

▼ The Anaheim Ducks claim their first Stanley Cup, beating the Ottawa Senators in five games for the 2007 NHL championship.



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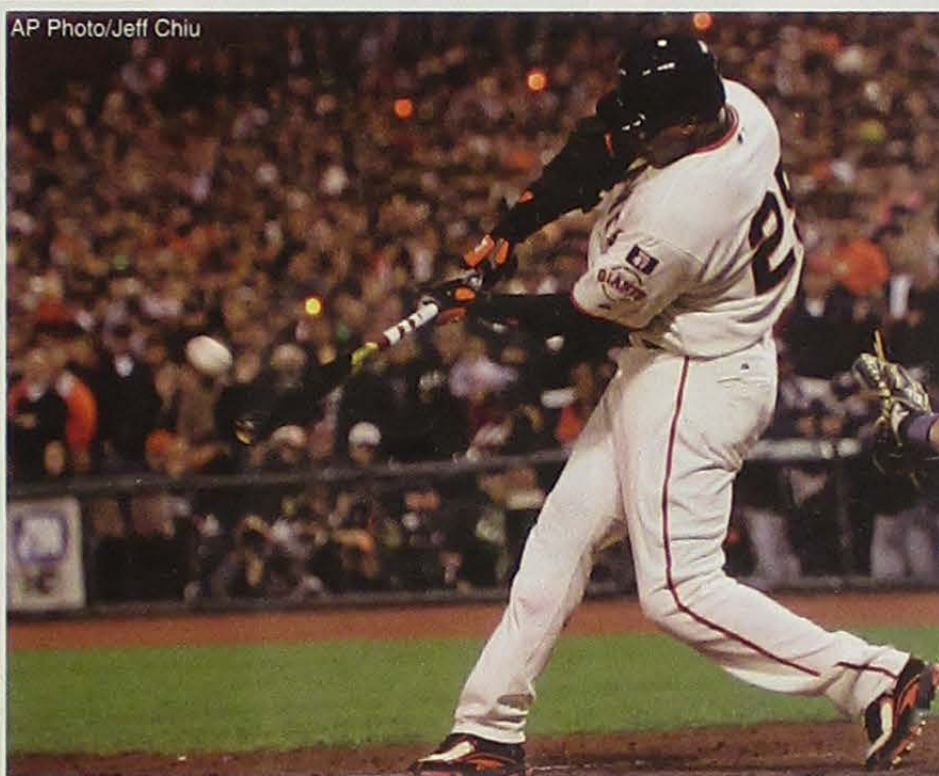
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▲ Super Bowl XLII MVP Eli Manning leads the New York Giants on a last-minute scoring drive to upset the heavily favored New England Patriots 17-14, shattering the Patriots' bid for a perfect 19-0 season.

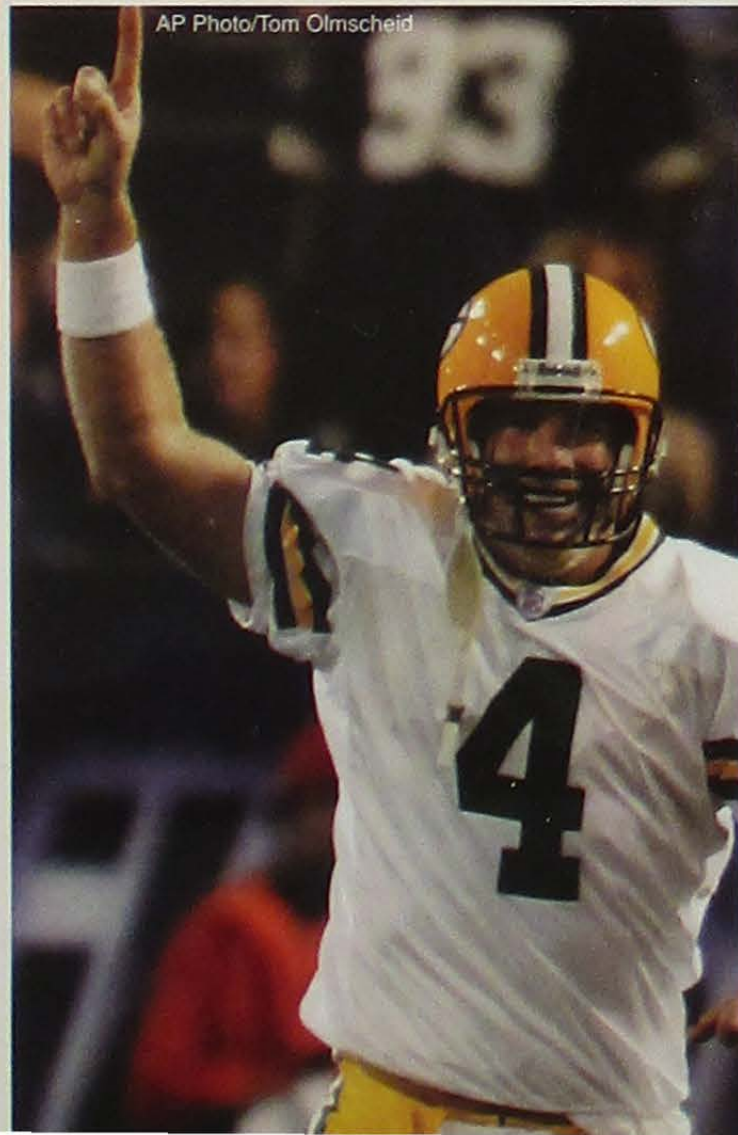
◀ Belgian Justine Henin defeats Russian Svetlana Kuznetsova 6-1, 6-3 to win her second U.S. Open title in New York.

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▲ Power hitters Barry Bonds, Frank Thomas, Alex "A-Rod" Rodriguez, Craig Biggio and Jim Thome all achieve home run milestones in their Major League Baseball careers.

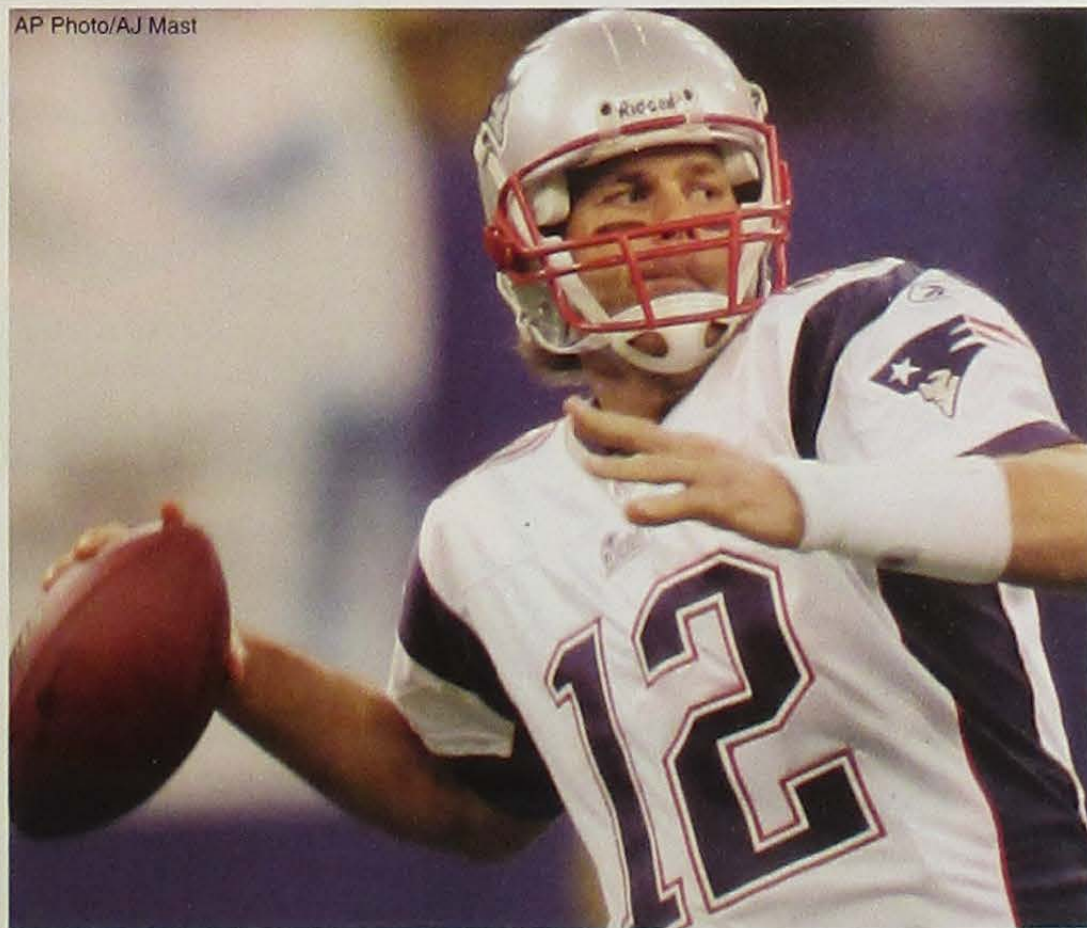
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► Brett Favre of the Green Bay Packers surpasses Dan Marino's touchdown pass record with number 422. 2007 NFL MVP Tom Brady of the New England Patriots sets the single regular-season mark for touchdown passes with 50.

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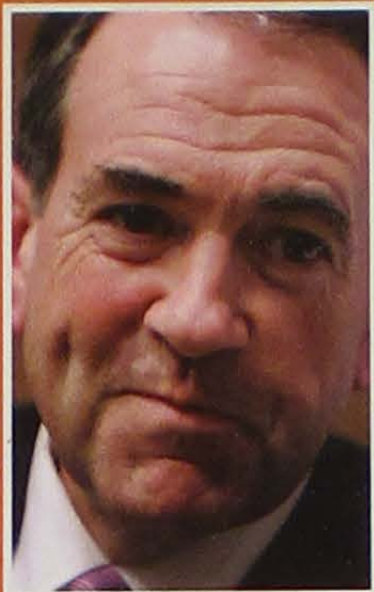
Election '08 Candidates

After Super Tuesday primaries on February 5, 2008, the presidential race heats up among frontrunners Hillary Clinton, Mike Huckabee, John McCain and Barack Obama.



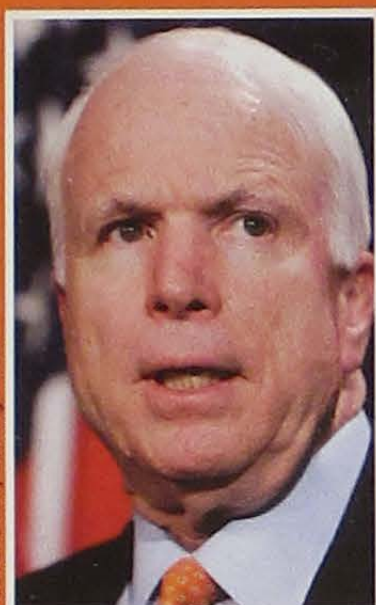
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Hillary Rodham Clinton



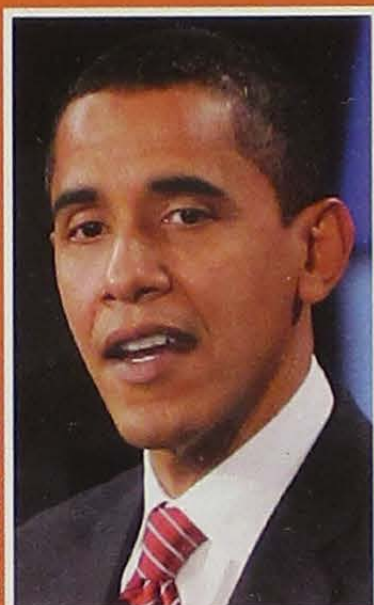
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Mike Huckabee



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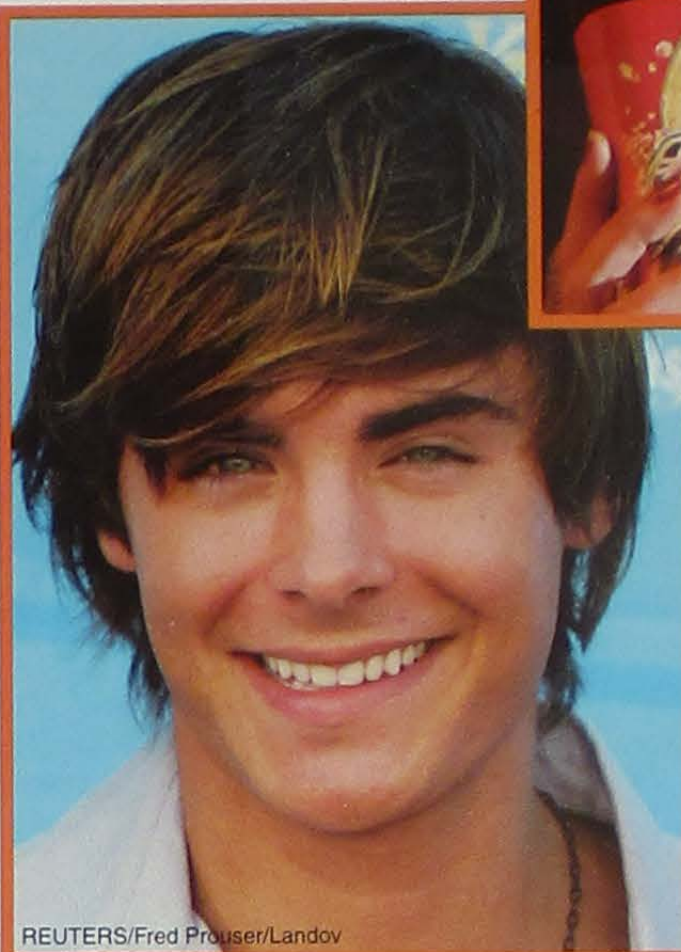
John McCain



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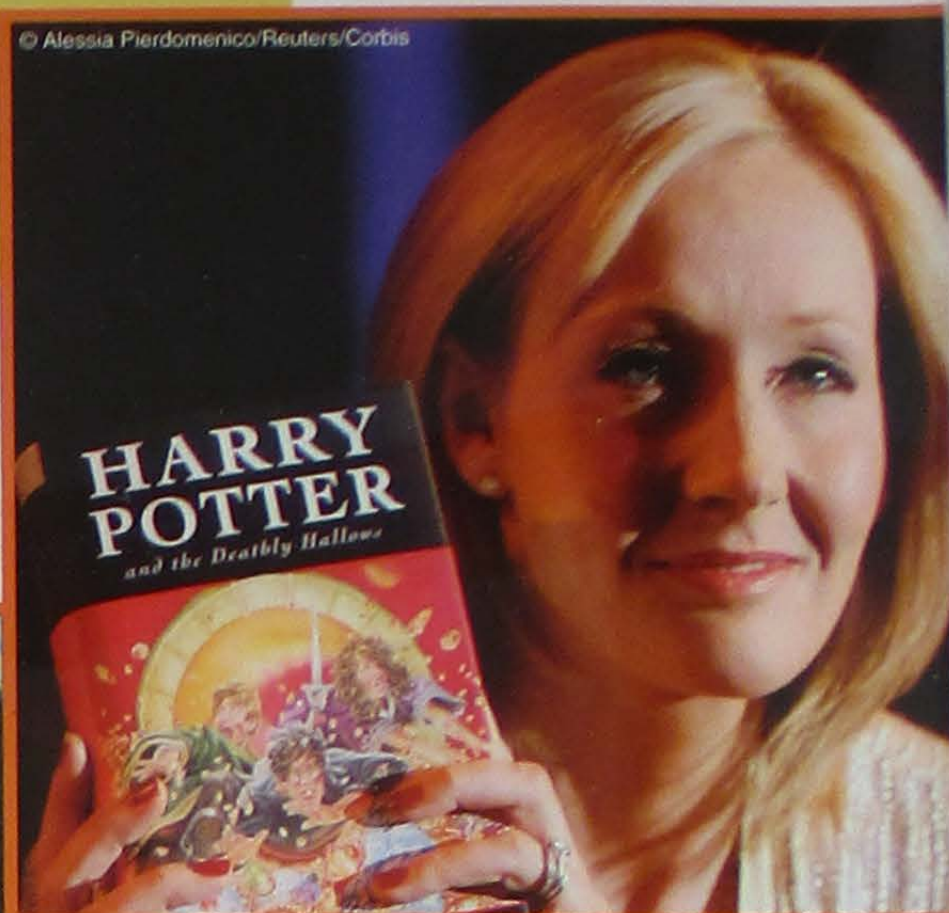
► *Entertainment Weekly* names J.K. Rowling—author of the seven-volume, 4,100-page Harry Potter series of best-selling children's books—as its Entertainer of the Year.



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▲ Heartthrob Zac Efron, who came to fame with his performance in the first *High School Musical*, becomes an even bigger teen star with the release of *High School Musical 2*.

► The Best of Both Worlds tour, starring Miley Cyrus as Hannah Montana, sells out in every city, prompting ticket lotteries, heartbroken fans and scalping scandals.



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▼ In January 2008, Academy Award-nominated actor Heath Ledger, 28, is found dead in his Lower Manhattan apartment from an accidental overdose of prescription medication.



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▲ Multi-talented star Queen Latifah becomes the latest spokeswoman for Jenny Craig. Her message isn't about getting skinny, but about losing weight to reduce the risk of Type 2 diabetes.

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▼ At London's Wembley Stadium, Princes William and Harry host the Concert for Diana to commemorate the tenth anniversary of the death of their mother, the Princess of Wales.



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▲ As Izzie Stevens on ABC's *Grey's Anatomy*, Katherine Heigl is a small-screen star. As Anne Fletcher in the comedy *27 Dresses*, she conquers the big screen as well.

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